

# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

# TOWN OFFICERS



1903

TOWN OF RANDOLPH  
Massachusetts



# SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF THE POOR, SUPERINTENDING  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
SUPEPINTENDENT OF STREETS, BOARD OF HEALTH,  
TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

OF THE

# TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND, THE TRUSTEES OF THE  
TURNER FREE LIBRARY, AND OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.



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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1903-1904.

## SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN. GEORGE H. EDDY. CHARLES H. THAYER.

## TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REDMOND P. BARRETT . . . . .	Term expires 1904
JOHN E. McDONALD . . . . .	Term expires 1905
ROYAL T. MANN . . . . .	Term expires 1906

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, JOHN E. BRADLEY, D.D.

## TRUSTEES OF STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

REDMOND P. BARRETT . . . . .	Term expires 1904
JOHN E. McDONALD . . . . .	Term expires 1905
ROYAL T. MANN . . . . .	Term expires 1906

## WATER COMMISSIONERS.

D. B. WHITE . . . . .	Term expires 1904
JAMES B. McDONALD . . . . .	Term expires 1905
JAMES F. SULLIVAN . . . . .	Term expires 1906

## AUDITORS.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.	JEREMIAH J. DESMOND.
JOHN B. WREN.	

## CONSTABLES.

THOMAS FARRELL.	LINCOLN STETSON.	JOSEPH H. FOSTER.
FRANK W. HARRIS.	MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN.	JOHN HANEY.
	FRANK J. DONAHOE.	

## TAX COLLECTOR.

ARTHUR W. ALDEN.

## FENCE VIEWERS.

CHARLES H. COLE.	EDWIN M. MANN.
JAMES RILEY.	

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

JAMES FARDY.	HERBERT W. PRATT.	OTIS L. SOULE.
	JOSEPH T. LEAHY.	

## ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES A. WALES, <i>Chief</i> .	WILLIAM A. CROAK, <i>Clerk</i> .	
JAMES E. BLANCHE.	DANIEL J. BRENNAN.	JAMES W. FARRELL.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

TIMOTHY M. O'LEARY.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

## KEEPER OF LOCKUP.

ARTHUR W. ALDEN.

## REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL COURT.

FRED W. WHITCOMB, of Holbrook.



# REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND ASSESSORS.

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:*

The Selectmen and Assessors hereby submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1903:

## VALUATION.

	1902.	1903.	
Real Estate,	\$1,660,550	\$1,675,300	\$15,050 Gain
Personal,	290,050	238,150	51,900 Loss
	<u>\$1,950,600</u>	<u>\$1,913,450</u>	<u>\$36,850 Net Loss</u>

Tax rate, \$21.60 on \$1,000.

Town appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$45,914 20
State tax	.	.	.	.	.	1,950 00
County tax	.	.	.	.	.	1,766 65
						<u>\$49,630 85</u>

Number of polls, 1,116	.	.	.	\$2,232 00
Estimated corporation tax	.	.	4,416 00	
Estimated bank tax	.	.	1,870 00	
			<u>8,520 00</u>	

Amount to be raised on property . . \$41,110 85

2020  
1980  
40

2160  
2020  
140

2160  
1980  
180

Tax on real estate . . . . .	\$1,675,300	\$36,186 48
Tax on personal property . . . . .	238,150	5,144 04

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\$41,330 52

Amount required . . . . .	41,108 85
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Overlay . . . . .	\$251 72
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Tax warrant :

State tax . . . . .	\$1,950 00
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County tax . . . . .	1,766 65
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Town tax and overlay . . . . .	39,845 87
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\$43,562 52

Population, census 1900 . . . . .	3,993
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Number of horses . . . . .	301
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cows . . . . .	245
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swine . . . . .	443
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fowl . . . . .	1,000
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Neat cattle other than cows . . . . .	4
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Number of dwelling houses . . . . .	875
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Number of acres of land . . . . .	5,520
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APPROPRIATIONS TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION  
FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Support of schools . . . . .	\$10,066 00
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Stetson High School . . . . .	2,200 00
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Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,600 00
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Poor in almshouse . . . . .	1,800 00
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Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	4,000 00
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Soldiers' relief . . . . .	400 00
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Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	500 00
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Military aid . . . . .	\$250 00
Town Officers . . . . .	2,500 00
Board of Health . . . . .	200 00
Interest on town debt . . . . .	2,350 00
Lockup expenses . . . . .	200 00
Tree Warden . . . . .	500 00
Births, marriages, death and court fees . . . . .	125 00
Overdrafts of 1902 . . . . .	1,000 00
Reduction of town debt . . . . .	2,480 00
Highways . . . . .	3,000 00
Fire Department . . . . .	2,261 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves . . . . .	100 00
Water Commissioners . . . . .	4,500 00
Street lighting . . . . .	3,300 00
Insurance on Treasurer's bond . . . . .	120 00
Medical attendance . . . . .	300 00
Special police . . . . .	1,800 00
Care of clocks . . . . .	40 00
Turner Library . . . . .	322 20
State tax . . . . .	1,950 00
County tax . . . . .	1,766 65
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	\$49,630 85

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY  
THE TOWN DECEMBER 31, 1903.

Almshouse property and farm . . . . .	\$12,000 00
Town hall and land . . . . .	18,000 00
One steam fire engine and apparatus . . . . .	5,500 00
One Babcock extinguisher and apparatus . . . . .	800 00
Three engine houses and lockup . . . . .	4,200 00
One hearse . . . . .	50 00
Ten acres salt marsh . . . . .	300 00

Land and building, Clark estate . . .	\$2,000 00
Highway plant . . . . .	5,000 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 1 . . .	2,000 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 2 . . .	6,000 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 3 . . .	1,800 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 4 . . .	5,750 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 5 . . .	200 00
Schoolhouse and land District No. 6 . . .	1,600 00
Prescott Schoolhouse and land . . . . .	15,000 00
Turner School fund . . . . .	1,500 00
Stetson School fund . . . . .	11,900 00
Turner Free Library building and land . . .	40,000 00
Turner Free Library fund . . . . .	5,000 00
Turner fund . . . . .	10,000 00
Turner Free Library . . . . .	10,000 00
Royal W. Turner Free Library fund . . .	20,000 00
Water Works . . . . .	162,000 00
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	\$340,600 00

### EXPENDITURES FOR 1903.

The Selectmen have drawn orders upon the Treasurer amounting to \$59,392.10.

For Almshouse . . . . .	\$2,332 90
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	5,567 46
Poor Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	780 30
Soldiers' relief . . . . .	508 33
Poor of other towns . . . . .	1,448 11
Military aid . . . . .	378 00
Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	1,548 82
Fire Department . . . . .	2,260 93
Special police . . . . .	668 78

For Interest on town debt . . . . .	\$3,656 63
Schools . . . . .	12,035 19
Stetson High School . . . . .	2,352 18
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	60 00
Highways . . . . .	5,926 24
Lockup . . . . .	206 82
Electric lighting . . . . .	3,540 63
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees . . . . .	177 78
Burial indigent soldiers . . . . .	70 00
Care of clocks . . . . .	20 00
State aid . . . . .	3,271 00
Town Officers . . . . .	2,365 85
Water Commissioners . . . . .	4,500 00
Treasurer's bond . . . . .	120 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves . . . . .	100 00
Tree Warden . . . . .	376 86
Board of Health . . . . .	243 79
County tax . . . . .	1,766 65
State tax . . . . .	1,950 00
J. V. Beal, professional services . . . . .	205 70
Turner Library . . . . .	322 20
Medical attendance . . . . .	300 00
Abatements . . . . .	330 95
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	\$59,392 10

### RECAPITULATION.

	Appropriations.	Expenditures.
For Almshouse . . . . .	\$1,800 00	\$2,332 90
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	4,000 00	5,567 46
Poor Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	500 00	780 30
Soldiers' relief . . . . .	400 00	508 33
Poor of other towns . . . . .		1,448 11
Military aid . . . . .	250 00	378 00

For Miscellaneous expenses . . .	\$1,600 00	\$1,548 82
Fire Department . . . . .	2,261 00	2,260 93
Special police . . . . .	1,800 00	668 78
Interest on town debt . . . . .	2,350 00	3,656 63
Schools . . . . .	9,966 00	12,035 19
Stetson High School . . . . .	2,200 00	2,352 18
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	100 00	60 00
Highways . . . . .	3,000 00	5,926 24
Lockup . . . . .	200 00	206 82
Electric lighting . . . . .	3,300 00	3,540 63
Births, deaths, marriages and court fees . . . . .	125 00	177 78
Burial indigent soldiers . . . . .		70 00
Care of clocks . . . . .	40 00	20 00
State aid . . . . .		3,271 00
Town Officers . . . . .	2,500 00	2,365 85
Water Commissioners . . . . .	4,500 00	4,500 00
Treasurer's bond . . . . .	120 00	120 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves . . . . .	100 00	100 00
Tree Warden . . . . .	500 00	376 86
Board of Health . . . . .	200 00	243 79
Turner Library . . . . .	322 20	322 20
J. V. Beal, professional services, . . . . .		205 70
Medical attendance . . . . .	300 00	300 00
Abatements . . . . .		330 95
State tax . . . . .	1,950 00	1,950 00
County tax . . . . .	1,766 65	1,766 65
In payment of bill due from 1902, . . . . .	1,000 00	
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	\$47,150 85	\$59,392 10
Amount of expenditures . . . . .		\$59,392 10
Amount of appropriations . . . . .		47,150 85
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Gross amount overdrawn . . . . .		\$12,241 25

## Overdrawn on account of:

Almshouse . . . . .	\$532 90
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	1,567 46
Poor Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	280 30
Soldiers' relief . . . . .	108 33
Poor of other towns . . . . .	1,448 11
Military aid . . . . .	128 00
Interest . . . . .	1,306 63
Schools . . . . .	2,069 19
Stetson High School . . . . .	152 18
Highways . . . . .	2,926 24
Lockup . . . . .	6 82
Electric lighting . . . . .	240 63
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees . . . . .	52 78
Burial indigent soldiers . . . . .	70 00
State aid . . . . .	3,271 00
Board of Health . . . . .	43 79
J. V. Beal . . . . .	205 70
Abatements . . . . .	330 95

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\$14,741 01

## Unexpended on account of:

Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	\$51 18
Fire Department . . . . .	07
Special police . . . . .	1,131 22
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	40 00
Care of clocks . . . . .	20 00
Town Officers . . . . .	134 15
Tree Warden . . . . .	123 14
Overdraft . . . . .	1,000 00
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	2,499 76

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Amount overdrawn . . . . . \$12,241 25



Refunded and to be refunded on account of:

Almshouse . . . . .	\$441 31
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	30 00
Soldiers' relief, Randolph & Holbrook, . . . . .	260 10
Poor of other towns . . . . .	1,448 11
Military aid by Holbrook . . . . .	37 00
Military aid by State . . . . .	189 00
State aid by State . . . . .	3,271 00
Interest on taxes and deposits . . . . .	2,508 33
On account of schools . . . . .	1,829 23
Street railway tax . . . . .	1,520 41
Excise tax . . . . .	964 00
Old Colony Street Railway Co., labor . . . . .	563 02
Watering streets . . . . .	29 50
Inspector of Animals . . . . .	50 00
District Court, court fees . . . . .	177 02
	<hr/> \$13,318 03
Refunded and to be refunded . . . . .	\$13,318 03
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	12,241 25
	<hr/> \$1,076 78

## HIGHWAYS.

### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

#### *To the Selectmen:*

Following the usual custom, work on the highways was commenced in the early spring by the scraping of the streets and gutters, after which those portions of the streets most in need of repairs were gravelled. The hill on Canton street at the Ferguson farm was gravelled throughout its entire

length, 314 loads being spread thereon. North street, near the residence of John K. Willard, was gravelled, 424 loads being used. High street was repaired in various places, 394 loads of gravel being used. On Liberty street 60 loads were used; on Roel street, 40 loads; and on other streets, 33 loads.

The sidewalks throughout the town which had been neglected for years were gravelled, 45 loads being used on Liberty street, 40 loads on Silver street, 561 loads on South Main street, 62 loads on South street, 25 loads on Maple street, 75 loads on Warren street and 22 loads on West street.

On Plain street we laid 75 feet of 15-inch drain pipe; on Warren street, 30 feet of 4-inch; and on Roel street, 40 feet of 8-inch pipe.

New fences were erected, on Allen street 720 feet, and on West street 200 feet in length.

Changes in grade requiring cutting and fitting were made on Roel and Warren streets, the surface water on the latter, between Silver and Fowler streets, being carried westerly to the brook near the junction of West and Warren streets instead of southerly as formerly. In effecting this change, considerable cutting was done and a large amount of filling was also required in places, 510 loads of gravel being used. On Warren street, from the railroad crossing to Silver street, the entire roadway, 27 feet in width, was macadamized, the macadam when rolled measuring 7 inches in depth. One thousand tons of crushed stone were used on this street, and 25 tons of stone dust were spread on West street.

Considerable expense has been incurred during the past year by the cutting of trees and shrubbery on the various streets in the outskirts of the town which had been allowed to grow and spread until, in many places, it was impossible for two teams to pass in safety.

I would recommend that, as a matter of economy, they be cut down every year, which can be done at a much less ratio of expense than if they are allowed to grow to the size attained this year.

The streets on which shrubbery has been cut are High, Canton, Centre, Chestnut, Old, Pond, Orchard, Grove, Stoughton and West.

We have received from the Old Colony Street Railway Co. the sum of \$563.02 for the use of the steam roller and crusher, which sum has been applied as a credit to the highway department.

The roller and crusher are in good condition, a new set of manganese steel jaws for the crusher having been purchased during the year to replace the old cast-iron set. The crusher-bins will need new sills during the coming year, the old sills being decayed and unsafe. New planking will also be needed on the platform of the crusher.

As in previous reports, I would recommend the purchase of an up-to-date Studebaker street sprinkler, the one in present use being both wasteful and expensive and entirely unsuited for our needs.

STILLMAN B. WOODMAN.

#### GENERAL REPAIRS.

Paid S. B. Woodman, Superintendent and team,	\$427 21
Town team, labor . . . . .	164 69
Francis E. Stetson, labor and team . . . . .	163 07
William Mahady, labor and team . . . . .	391 69
George M. Johnson, labor . . . . .	199 25
John Sheehan, labor . . . . .	221 50
James Barry, labor . . . . .	148 75
John B. McGrane, labor . . . . .	131 62
Thomas Duff, labor . . . . .	168 75

Paid Samuel M. Clark, labor . . . .	\$192 90
M. E. Leahy, labor and team . . . .	232 62
M. E. Leahy, coal for crusher and roller .	92 71
W. L. Pulson, labor and materials . . .	155 99
Frank H. Langley, labor and materials .	119 93
Robert McLeod, labor . . . .	142 25
Nicholas Linnehan, labor . . . .	140 75
James O'Brien, labor . . . .	113 00
P. H. Mooney, labor . . . .	91 75
William C. Barry, labor . . . .	182 50
James Riley, labor and team . . . .	133 57
William Deer, labor . . . .	99 00
A. Johnson, labor . . . .	1 00
W. Johnson, labor . . . .	1 00
Michael Halpin, labor . . . .	21 25
Thomas B. Kelley, labor . . . .	3 00
George F. French, labor . . . .	62 25
John T. Purcell, labor . . . .	7 25
Joshua Hunt . . . .	5 00
James Devine, labor . . . .	58 75
M. Frank Mann, labor and team . . .	65 31
Albert Perry, labor . . . .	75
William H. Carroll, labor and team . .	74 87
Taunton Lumber Co., supplies . . .	25 00
Waldo Bros., supplies . . . .	19 00
Kelly Roller Co., supplies . . . .	4 50
John Harris, labor . . . .	14 00
Charles Doonan, labor and team . . .	30 00
R. E. O'Brien, labor and materials . .	37 50
John Doyle, labor and team . . . .	29 75
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil . . . .	11 95
John Wales, labor and team . . . .	31 50
Thomas Harty, labor . . . .	66 75
John J. Collins, labor and team . . .	63 25

Paid John Dunn, labor . . . . .	\$80 75
Michael Crowley, labor . . . . .	10 00
C. Truelson, labor, team and gravel . . . . .	94 18
M. A. Scanlon, labor and team . . . . .	45 50
C. A. Claflin & Co., supplies . . . . .	2 75
— Nelson, labor . . . . .	44
J. Shay, labor . . . . .	1 31
J. M. Jones, labor . . . . .	13 25
Andrew Hayes, labor and team . . . . .	36 45
J. Marcellie, labor . . . . .	1 00
H. Campbell, labor . . . . .	4 00
C. Bump, labor and team . . . . .	24 50
W. A. Wood & Co., supplies . . . . .	1 80
A. Black, supplies . . . . .	42 50
E. W. Campagna, labor . . . . .	37 47
E. A. Perry, labor . . . . .	2 19
N. Noyes, labor . . . . .	1 00
W. R. Lynch, labor . . . . .	38 50
F. W. Hayden & Co., supplies . . . . .	17 52
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies . . . . .	2 13
W. L. Mann, labor . . . . .	32 96
Thomas Kiley, labor . . . . .	18 00
C. H. Cole, labor and team . . . . .	28 00
C. Truelson . . . . .	6 00
E. A. Powderly, gravel . . . . .	65 00
C. D. Hill, supplies . . . . .	8 51
Dexter T. Clark, surveying . . . . .	25 50
T. Donahoe, labor . . . . .	13 00
P. Delaney, labor . . . . .	3 00
James Fardy, labor and materials . . . . .	32 90
M. Devine, labor . . . . .	7 00
A. Holbrook, labor . . . . .	6 00
B. Holbrook, labor . . . . .	4 00
B. Purcell, labor . . . . .	4 00

Paid H. Holbrook, labor . . . .	\$5 00
J. P. Riley, labor . . . .	3 00
M. G. Holbrook, labor . . . .	1 00
J. M. Dyer, labor and team . . . .	20 43
J. White Belcher . . . .	6 00
T. Kenney, gravel . . . .	6 80
Taylor Iron & Steel Co., supplies . .	71 00
M. Ford, gravel . . . .	1 40
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	\$5,172 87

## SCRAPING.

Paid S. Woodman, Superintendent . . . .	\$27 50
W. Mahady, labor and team . . . .	27 25
John Sheehan, labor . . . .	15 75
George M. Johnson, labor . . . .	19 00
George F. French, labor . . . .	2 00
James Riley, labor and team . . . .	41 00
J. P. Riley, labor . . . .	16 50
Town team, labor . . . .	14 25
M. E. Leahy, labor and team . . . .	21 75
P. H. Meaney, labor . . . .	17 00
J. O'Brien, labor . . . .	17 00
J. B. McGrane, labor . . . .	14 00
James Barry, labor . . . .	14 00
John T. Purcell . . . .	14 00
John Harris . . . .	13 75
John Dunn, labor . . . .	6 00
Thomas Duff, labor . . . .	12 00
W. C. Barry, labor . . . .	14 00
Thomas Harty . . . .	13 75
S. Eddy, labor . . . .	12 00
G. H. Fredericks, labor . . . .	12 00
N. Linnehan . . . .	8 00



Paid E. J. McMahon, labor . . . .	\$6 00
C. L. Henry, labor . . . .	11 75
W. Deer, labor . . . .	7 00
E. J. Meeghan, labor . . . .	6 75
T. Donahoe, labor . . . .	13 75
J. H. Foster, labor . . . .	6 00
A. Hayes and horse . . . .	1 75
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	\$405 50

## REMOVING SNOW.

Paid M. E. Leahy and others . . . .	\$43 12
M. J. Collins . . . .	7 72
F. E. Stetson and others . . . .	39 58
W. H. Carroll and others . . . .	68 63
W. Mahady and others . . . .	39 63
J. Devine and others . . . .	61 67
James Keenan . . . .	8 75
James Riley and others . . . .	63 85
S. B. Woodman . . . .	7 67
J. Marcellie . . . .	3 25
Richard Irving . . . .	4 00
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	\$347 87

General repairs . . . .	\$5,172 87
Scraping . . . .	405 50
Removing snow . . . .	347 87
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	\$5,926 24

Appropriation . . . .	\$3,000 00
Street railway tax . . . .	1,520 41
Excise tax . . . .	964 00
From Old Colony Street R'y for labor, . . . .	563 02
From watering streets . . . .	29 50
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	\$6,076 93

Unexpended . . . \$150 69



## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid D. J. Hand, teller . . . . .	\$3 00
Estate of Charles Doughty, lighting Select-	
men's room . . . . .	79 37
W. Mahady . . . . .	5 50
E. T. Murphy, teller . . . . .	3 00
John A. Hoyer, teller . . . . .	3 00
Dexter T. Clark, teller . . . . .	6 00
Dexter T. Clark, sealing milk jars . . . . .	20 28
F. H. Tileston, teller . . . . .	3 00
W. A. Croak, ballot clerk . . . . .	6 00
W. H. Lyons, teller . . . . .	3 00
H. H. Huke, teller . . . . .	3 00
D. H. Huxford, printing town report, war-	
rants, etc. . . . .	503 80
F. Groom & Co., stationery . . . . .	13 75
T. L. Stetson, ballot clerk . . . . .	6 00
Rufus A. Thayer, teller, \$3.00, labor \$2.00, . . . . .	5 00
J. A. Kingsbury, dinners . . . . .	38 25
Post 110, G. A. R., order of J. T. Flood,	
for services as moderator . . . . .	25 00
Nelson Mann, teller . . . . .	6 00
M. F. Sullivan, police duty, posting war-	
rants, etc. . . . .	67 00
Dennison Mfg. Co., tags . . . . .	90
F. A. French, telephone . . . . .	8 67
Thomas Farrell, police duty . . . . .	17 50
E. W. Campagna, labor . . . . .	8 40
S. A. Foster, Jr., ballot clerk . . . . .	6 00
J. White Belcher, insurance . . . . .	95 20
C. F. Lyons, supplies . . . . .	98
A. W. Alden, care of Selectmen's room,	
hall, etc. . . . .	110 45

Paid E. A. Perry, labor . . . . .	\$1 00
H. F. Rooney, police duty . . . . .	5 00
W. M. Howard, watchman . . . . .	1 75
F. J. Donahoe, police duty . . . . .	9 50
State Cattle Board, stamp . . . . .	1 75
Thomas B. Kelley, police duty . . . . .	10 75
Arnold Thayer, teller . . . . .	6 00
E. L. Burdakin, transfers . . . . .	10 00
P. B. Murphy, printing . . . . .	4 25
Carter Ink Co., ink . . . . .	1 25
F. J. Hand, teller . . . . .	6 00
E. S. Bradford, Treasurer, license . . . . .	50
E. M. Mann, wood, Selectmen's room . . . . .	24 50
M. W. Baker, postage and envelopes . . . . .	14 47
L. Stetson, police duty . . . . .	7 50
J. B. Clark, police duty . . . . .	7 50
J. H. Foster, police duty . . . . .	7 50
F. W. Harris, police duty . . . . .	7 50
T. Frizzell, watchman . . . . .	2 50
T. J. Kiernan, police duty . . . . .	7 50
J. H. DeForrest, labor . . . . .	6 84
F. H. Jaquith, teller \$6.00, police duty, duty \$7.50 . . . . .	13 50
Hobbs & Warren Co., stationery . . . . .	7 23
M. L. Tirrell, police duty . . . . .	7 50
N. Noyes, damage . . . . .	6 00
A. H. Tucker, damage . . . . .	10 00
P. H. McLaughlin, cash and expenses paid, H. Campbell, sign . . . . .	27 18
Albert M. Dyer, burial of fish . . . . .	15 00
J. B. McDonald, labor . . . . .	2 00
J. T. Leahy, insurance . . . . .	5 95
Secretary of the Commonwealth . . . . .	2 50
J. T. Leahy, insurance . . . . .	86 48
J. Haney, cash paid . . . . .	6 00

Paid T. Donahoe, burial of dog . . . .	\$1 00
F. W. Hayden, teller . . . .	6 00
F. H. Langley, labor . . . .	3 75
M. E. Clark, teller . . . .	3 00
E. Flaherty, ballot clerk . . . .	3 00
D. P. Lyons, teller and watchman . . . .	9 00
F. H. Alden, teller . . . .	6 00
J. S. Sullivan . . . .	2 00
C. E. Woodward & Co. . . .	7 20
Estate of F. Porter, stationery . . . .	5 05
C. H. Nichols, carriage hire and expressage, . . . .	52 41
Royal T. Mann, teller . . . .	6 00
Town of Braintree, boundary stone . . . .	3 75
J. T. Leahy, cash paid . . . .	40 75
George H. Eddy, cash paid and expenses, . . . .	18 97
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Appropriation, \$1,600 00	\$1,548 82
Unexpended, 51 18	

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## TOWN OFFICERS.

### SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Patrick H. McLaughlin . . . .	\$400 00
George H. Eddy . . . .	350 00
Charles H. Thayer . . . .	350 00

### TOWN TREASURER.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy . . . .	300 00
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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid Royal T. Mann . . . .	100 00
John E. McDonald . . . .	100 00
Redmond P. Barrett . . . .	100 00

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, clerk . . . . .	\$75 00
James Fardy . . . . .	50 00
Herbert W. Pratt . . . . .	50 00
Otis L. Soule . . . . .	50 00

## AUDITORS.

Paid John K. Willard . . . . .	15 00
John B. Wren . . . . .	15 00
Jeremiah J. Desmond . . . . .	15 00

## ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Charles A. Wales . . . . .	20 00
James W. Farrell . . . . .	20 00
James E. Blanche . . . . .	20 00
Daniel J. Brennan . . . . .	20 00
William A. Croak, clerk . . . . .	30 00

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Paid Arthur W. Alden . . . . .	185 85
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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

Paid Lincoln Stetson* . . . . .	100 00
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\$2,365 85

Appropriation	\$2,500 00
*Refunded by State,	50 00
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	\$2,550 00

Unexpended, \$184 15

## LOCKUP.

Paid Arthur W. Alden, salary . . .	\$100 00
Arthur W. Alden, supplies . . .	28 75
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . .	9 57
Estate C. Doughty, electric lighting .	20 00
D. B. White, coal . . .	43 50
F. W. Hayden & Co., supplies . . .	50
Frank F. Smith, charcoal . . .	4 50
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	\$206 82

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 6 82

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## STREET LIGHTING.

Paid Estate C. Doughty . . . . .	\$3,540 63
Appropriation, \$3,300 00	
Overdrawn, 240 63	

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RECORDING BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, AND  
COURT FEES.

Paid E. Forrest Knight, court fees . . .	\$13 65
John Haney, court fees . . .	24 20
Thomas Farrell, court fees . . .	8 59
Frank H. Jaquith, court fees . . .	14 94
City of Quincy, use of lockup . . .	4 40
Joseph T. Leahy, recording births, mar- riages and deaths . . .	68 00
J. S. Sullivan, M.D., returning births .	1 25
A. L. Chase, M.D., returning births .	1 50
Ralph Houghton, returning deaths . .	13 00

Paid John B. Wren, returning deaths . . .	\$13 25
Richard Forrest, census of births, 1903 . .	15 00

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\$177 78

Appropriation,	\$125 00
Court fees from District Court,	177 02

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\$302 02

Unexpended, \$124 24

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### CARE OF CLOCKS.

Paid Arthur W. Alden, Treasurer, care of clock in First Congregational Church . . .	\$20 00
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Appropriation, \$40 00

Unexpended, 20 00

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### TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Paid Old Colony Street Railway Co. . . .	\$60 00
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Appropriation, \$100 00

Unexpended, 40 00

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### SCHOOLS.

Paid sundry bills (for items, see report of School Committee) . . . . .	\$12,035 19
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Appropriation . . . . .	\$9,966 00
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Received on acc't Tuition . . . . .	41 00
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Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	500 00
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State Board of Charity . . . . .	123 00
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Received on acc't Dog licenses .	\$478 84
Mass. school fund .	622 39
Interest on Cod-	
dington fund .	64 00
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	\$11,795 23
Overdrawn, \$2,139 96	

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## STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid Trustees . . . . .	\$2,200 00
Bank tax . . . . .	152 18
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	\$2,352 18
Appropriation, \$2,200 and bank tax.	

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## BURIAL OF INDIGENT SOLDIERS.

Paid for Charles E. Pratt . . . . .	\$35 00
Eunice Pool . . . . .	35 00
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	\$70 00

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## SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid for Hugh Currie and family . . . . .	\$113 32
Mrs. Philip Pierce . . . . .	123 68
Ellen Halpin . . . . .	36 50
Charles H. Abbott at Massachusetts	
Hospital for Epileptics . . . . .	212 17
Aid to sundry persons . . . . .	22 66
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	\$508 33
Appropriation, \$400 00	
Overdrawn, 108 33	



# SOLDIERS' RELIEF WHOSE MILITARY SETTLEMENT IS IN RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK.

Paid for Mrs. M. Blencowe . . . . .	\$156 00
Christiana Sloan . . . . .	66 00
Elvira Holbrook . . . . .	60 00
Lewis Weathers at Taunton Insane Hospital . . . . .	212 17
Charles H. Balcom at Lowell . . . . .	66 00
Lysander C. Morse . . . . .	5 25
John A. Sylvester and wife . . . . .	88 73
Thomas F. Hand and wife . . . . .	107 65
W. H. Wood . . . . .	18 50
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	\$780 30
Paid by Holbrook . . . . .	\$260 10
Paid by Randolph . . . . .	520 20
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Overdrawn, 20 00	

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## MILITARY AID (CHAPTER 327, ACTS OF 1899).

Paid sundry persons . . . . .	\$378 00
One-half paid by the State . . . . .	\$189 00
Paid by Holbrook . . . . .	37 00
by Randolph . . . . .	152 00
Appropriation, \$250 00	
Unexpended, 98 00	

## STATE AID (CHAPTER 374, ACTS OF 1899).

Paid sundry persons . . . . .	\$3,271 00
No appropriation.	
To be refunded by State.	

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (for items, see report of Engineers of Fire Department) . . . . .	\$2,260 93
Appropriation, \$2,261 00	
Unexpended, . . . . .	07

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## WATER WORKS.

Paid Water Commissioners for hydrants, etc. . . . .	\$2,000 00
Water Commissioners for sinking fund . . . . .	2,500 00
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	\$4,500 00
Appropriation, \$4,500 00	

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## SPECIAL POLICE.

Paid John Haney . . . . .	\$668 78
Appropriation, \$1,800 00	
Unexpended, . . . . .	1,131 22

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## INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT.

Paid Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer . . . . .	\$3,656 63
Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,350 00
Interest on taxes . . . . .	2,441 95
Interest on deposits . . . . .	66 38
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	\$4,858 33
Unexpended, \$1,201 70	

Paid John V. Beal, for cash paid and professional  
 services in suit of W. F. Holmes, F. Les-  
 ter Jones and Katharine Breitling . . . \$205 70  
 No appropriation.

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#### TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

Paid John J. Crawford, Treasurer . . . \$322 20  
 Appropriation, \$322 20

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#### INSURANCE ON TREASURER'S BOND.

Paid C. D. Fullerton & Co. . . . \$120 00  
 Appropriation, \$120 00

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#### DECORATION OF SOLDIERS' GRAVES.

Paid Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R. . . . \$100 00  
 Appropriation, \$100 00

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#### TREE WARDEN.

Paid Bowker Insecticide Company . . .	\$60 75
Royal T. Mann and others, labor . . .	316 11
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	\$376 86
Appropriation, \$500 00	
Unexpended, 123 14	

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid R. J. McAuliffe, supplies . . .	\$9 63
J. W. Palmer, supplies . . .	30 50
William Porter, supplies . . .	3 96
Geo. H. McMahon, bedding, etc., destroyed,	30 00
W. R. Cartwright, fumigating . . .	50 95
B. Moore, supplies . . .	25 00
Melvin & Badger, supplies . . .	16 25
Brockton Drug Store, supplies . . .	11 50
Estate F. Porter, supplies . . .	6 00
P. H. McLaughlin, services . . .	20 00
George H. Eddy, services . . .	20 00
Charles H. Thayer, services . . .	20 00

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\$243 79

Appropriation, \$200 00

Overdrawn, 43 79

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## ABATEMENTS.

Paid F. M. French, abatement of taxes, 1897 . \$330 95

No appropriation.

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## COUNTY TAX.

Paid Charles H. Smith, Treasurer . . . \$1,766 65

Appropriation, \$1,766 65

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## STATE TAX.

Paid E. S. Bradford, Treasurer . . . \$1,950 00

Appropriation, \$1,950 00

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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The Overseers of the Poor herewith submit their report for the year ending 1903 :

The aid to outside poor shows an increase from last year, accounted for by the payment of bills contracted last year and not paid at the close of the year.

At the almshouse, Timothy M. O'Leary and wife continue as superintendent and matron, respectively.

The house has been carefully managed, and its condition reflects credit on the superintendent and matron.

The roof needs repair, and we would recommend an appropriation for shingling the same.

There was one death during the year, Joseph C. Stickney.

One inmate, Aletta Veazie, was committed to Taunton Insane Hospital. One inmate, William E. Fox, was discharged.

Net expense of almshouse for 1903, \$1,556.74.

Average cost per inmate, \$2.99.

Following are the expenses in detail :

### ALMSHOUSE.

Paid T. M. O'Leary, salary . . . .	\$499 97
T. M. O'Leary, supplies . . . .	15 85
P. H. McLaughlin, dry goods . . . .	24 10
W. H. Dennehy, supplies . . . .	1 50
James Foley, butter . . . .	23 20
S. A. Foster, Jr., groceries . . . .	80 82

Paid C. D. Hill, groceries . . . .	\$72 05
F. W. Hayden & Co., groceries . . . .	85 22
C. F. Lyons, groceries . . . .	66 90
J. W. Palmer, groceries . . . .	70 62
H. F. Reynolds, groceries . . . .	64 95
R. J. McAuliffe, provisions . . . .	109 28
George H. Eddy, provisions . . . .	120 42
B. F. Hayden, grain . . . .	125 63
W. E. Buck, grain . . . .	86 84
Randolph Clothing Co., clothing . . . .	63 20
B. C. Tirrell, clothing . . . .	21 75
L. Stetson . . . .	37 50
E. Thayer, groceries . . . .	79 94
H. L. Paul, ice . . . .	13 60
Howard Randall, kerosene oil . . . .	12 50
Lyons' Express . . . .	4 50
D. B. White, coal . . . .	393 83
M. E. Leahy . . . .	91 05
S. B. Woodman . . . .	2 28
E. O'Connor, repairing shoes . . . .	6 75
C. A. Lyman, repairs . . . .	50
James Riley, dressing pigs . . . .	3 00
R. E. O'Brien, labor and supplies . . . .	63 96
E. M. Mann . . . .	1 00
A. McArthur & Co., bedding . . . .	8 00
W. Crossley, papers . . . .	6 15
C. Truelson, pigs . . . .	12 00
M. E. Scanlon, labor . . . .	2 50
McAuliffe & Co., medicine . . . .	22 57
Estate F. Porter, medicine . . . .	14 00
J. B. McDonald, labor . . . .	6 22
James Fardy, labor . . . .	17 25
George F. Taylor, labor . . . .	1 50

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\$2,332 90

## DR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1902 .	\$1,952 75	
Salaries and supplies . . .	2,332 90	
	<hr/>	\$4,285 65

## CR.

Stock on hand December 31, 1903 .	\$2,287 60	
Sale of produce . . . .	253 47	
Labor of town farm . . . .	187 84	
Net expense . . . . .	1,556 74	
	<hr/>	\$4,285 65

Appropriation, \$1,800 00

Unexpended, 243 26

PERSONS SUPPORTED IN THE ALMSHOUSE FOR  
THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.

William Doyle . . . . .	52 1/7 weeks
Bartholomew Gill . . . . .	52 1/7 "
*Aletta Veazie . . . . .	43 2/7 "
Timothy Sullivan . . . . .	52 1/7 "
Emory Holbrook . . . . .	52 1/7 "
Adelia A. French . . . . .	52 1/7 "
† Joseph C. Stickney . . . . .	30 5/7 "
Thomas F. Curran . . . . .	52 1/7 "
William P. Fox . . . . .	32 1/7 "
B. Frank Kennedy . . . . .	52 1/7 "
Thomas Ward . . . . .	35 3/7 "
‡ William E. Fox . . . . .	13 3/7 "
George W. Averell . . . . .	5/7 "
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Total number of weeks . . . . .	520 5/7

\* Sent to Taunton Insane Hospital.

† Dead.

‡ Discharged.



## ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Appraisal of stock, furniture, etc., December 31, 1903 :

2 pigs . . . . .	\$20 00
2 cows . . . . .	80 00
1 horse . . . . .	100 00
40 fowl . . . . .	20 00
1 road scraper . . . . .	75 00
1 two-horse farm wagon . . . . .	175 00
1 farm wagon . . . . .	30 00
2 tip carts . . . . .	60 00
1 carriage . . . . .	10 00
2 sets of harness . . . . .	50 00
1 swing drag . . . . .	30 00
1 mowing machine . . . . .	35 00
1 hay rake . . . . .	23 00
6 tons of hay . . . . .	120 00
2 gravel screens . . . . .	8 00
1 two-horse cart . . . . .	75 00
1 set double harness . . . . .	30 00
1 two-horse sled . . . . .	40 00
1 tool chest . . . . .	5 00
1 hay cutter . . . . .	5 00
6 draught chains . . . . .	12 00
1 carriage harness . . . . .	5 00
1 grindstone . . . . .	4 00
3 baskets . . . . .	1 50
1 peck measure . . . . .	50
1 cultivator . . . . .	8 00
2 plows . . . . .	10 00
1 harrow . . . . .	5 00
Forks, shovels and hoes . . . . .	12 00
Iron bars and picks . . . . .	5 00

1 stone roller . . . . .	\$5 00
1 wheelbarrow . . . . .	3 00
2 axes . . . . .	1 00
1 tobacco cutter . . . . .	1 00
1 scythe and snath . . . . .	2 00
Bitstock and bits . . . . .	3 50
2 hand saws and planes . . . . .	3 00
8 drills . . . . .	10 00
1 stone hammer . . . . .	1 50
10 empty barrels . . . . .	1 00
2 cords of wood . . . . .	12 00
15 tons of coal . . . . .	105 00
6 tons of Franklin coal . . . . .	54 00
Vegetables . . . . .	50 00
2 barrels of flour . . . . .	10 00
1 barrel of crackers . . . . .	2 50
10 pounds of lard . . . . .	1 20
5 pounds of butter . . . . .	1 50
1 barrel of sugar . . . . .	13 50
7 pounds of tea . . . . .	3 00
5 pounds of coffee . . . . .	1 00
120 quarts of preserves . . . . .	15 00
2 pounds of tobacco . . . . .	80
Grain and meal . . . . .	3 00
20 gallons of kerosene oil . . . . .	3 00
1 kerosene tank . . . . .	10 00
100 preserve jars . . . . .	5 00
4 screen doors . . . . .	4 00
21 window screens . . . . .	13 00
2 storm windows . . . . .	5 00
1 boiler . . . . .	1 35
1 washtub . . . . .	75
1 oil stove . . . . .	1 00
2 wood-saws and horse . . . . .	3 00

2 clocks . . . . .	\$5 00
2 mirrors . . . . .	2 00
Crockery ware . . . . .	40 00
1 street lamp . . . . .	5 00
5 cuspidors . . . . .	2 50
20 iron bedsteads . . . . .	70 00
4 feather beds . . . . .	20 00
16 mattresses . . . . .	48 00
Lamps and lanterns . . . . .	5 00
15 lamp chimneys . . . . .	1 00
1 ice chest . . . . .	35 00
Wooden and tin ware . . . . .	15 00
53 sheets . . . . .	22 00
28 blankets . . . . .	28 00
55 pillow cases . . . . .	16 00
26 bed spreads . . . . .	20 00
5 comforters . . . . .	5 00
52 towels . . . . .	8 00
7 table cloths . . . . .	7 00
4 tables . . . . .	4 00
1 walnut table . . . . .	3 00
1 extension table . . . . .	8 00
12 rockers . . . . .	12 00
44 chairs . . . . .	12 00
1 wool carpet . . . . .	25 00
5 brooms and 2 brushes . . . . .	2 00
2 feather dusters . . . . .	3 00
1 carpet sweeper . . . . .	2 50
2 clothes wringers . . . . .	10 00
2 coal hods and shovels . . . . .	2 00
1 fire extinguisher . . . . .	18 00
12 dry fire extinguishers . . . . .	20 00
200 feet of hose . . . . .	22 00
1 hospital bed . . . . .	30 00

8 snow plows . . . . .	\$150 00
1 derrick and chain . . . . .	100 00
1 sleigh . . . . .	5 00
Robes and blankets . . . . .	5 00
1 lawn mower . . . . .	5 00
Range and boiler . . . . .	50 00
Ladders . . . . .	6 00
1 roll fence wire . . . . .	1 00
7 cords of manure . . . . .	35 00
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	\$2,287 60

#### POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Paid for P. H. Meaney and family . . . . .	\$342 36
Mrs. John C. Welch . . . . .	36 50
Mrs. George White and children . . . . .	255 03
Mrs. David Linfield . . . . .	4 00
Mary A. Pickering . . . . .	94 00
Mrs. William Carroll and children . . . . .	104 00
Mrs. Hannah Leahy . . . . .	101 00
John L. Manning and wife . . . . .	90 00
Mrs. Jennie Bacigalupo and children . . . . .	165 65
Mrs. Elizabeth A. White . . . . .	41 80
Mrs. John Treanor . . . . .	68 75
John T. Manning and family . . . . .	262 55
Mrs. Dennis Shea . . . . .	13 00
Mary E. Smith and children . . . . .	153 75
Julia Ainslie and children . . . . .	144 00
James F. Sutton at Lynn . . . . .	5 00
Mary Chandler . . . . .	85 75
Arthur Holbrook . . . . .	9 00
John J. Prior, Taunton Insane Hospital, . . . . .	39 00

Paid for Horace E. Holbrook, Taunton Insane Hospital . . . . .	\$212 17
Joseph H. Crosby, Taunton Insane Hospital . . . . .	212 17
Frank Curran, Taunton Insane Hospital,	180 60
Alice E. Hill, Taunton Insane Hospital,	119 60
David Foley, Taunton Insane Hospital,	42 93
Aletta Veazie, Taunton Insane Hospital,	29 25
David Foley, City of Boston . . .	5 00
Emma C. Lincoln, Medfield Insane Asylum . . . . .	182 80
Mark E. Purcell, Medfield Insane Asylum . . . . .	182 80
Timothy Donohoe, Medfield Insane Asylum . . . . .	182 80
Thomas F. Kiley, Medfield Insane Asylum . . . . .	182 80
Annie E. Anderson, Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics . . . . .	212 19
William R. Farquhar, Westboro Insane Hospital . . . . .	169 47
William McMath, Danvers Insane Hospital . . . . .	169 48
Mrs. Thomas Moore . . . . .	3 00
Susanna Buckly at Cambridge . . .	60 00
John A. Sylvester . . . . .	7 00
Christopher Lunsman and wife . . .	145 72
Frank L. Wood and family at New Bedford . . . . .	57 35
Helen A. Fairhurst, Tewksbury Alms-house . . . . .	66 57
Alice M. Abbott . . . . .	10 00
Bernard Roddan, Hospital for Dipso-maniacs . . . . .	50 61

Paid for Philip Hand, Hospital for Dipsomaniacs,	\$40 39
Bridget Kennedy and children at Holyoke,	137 85
Benjamin Eddy at Bridgewater . . . . .	20 00
John F. Beyette . . . . .	10 00
Mrs. John J. Prior and children . . . . .	10 00
William Shields and family at Brockton,	22 59
Florence DeForest and family at Brockton,	30 00
Lucy Barrows and daughters at Stoughton,	189 33
Mrs. John L. Burke and children . . . . .	106 53
Lewis Jones . . . . .	126 00
Mrs. Robert McAuliffe and family at Hopkinton . . . . .	127 00
Aid to sundry persons . . . . .	248 32
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	\$5,567 46

Appropriation, \$4,000 00

Aid refunded, 30 00

Overdrawn, 1,537 46

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#### POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for William J. Fennell, Weymouth . . . . .	\$66 00
Mrs. E. F. Jackson, Brockton . . . . .	225 25
Mrs. Hattie A. Shaw, Abington . . . . .	150 93
Thomas Flavel, Boston . . . . .	15 97
Bernard Purcell and family, Avon . . . . .	526 63
Samuel G. Beale and family, Quincy . . . . .	87 15
Mr. James Riley and children, Westboro,	86 35
Dennis Donovan and wife, Canton . . . . .	151 25
Frank E. Wilder and wife, Boston . . . . .	34 09
Mrs. John E. Glover, Quincy . . . . .	21 25
Henry E. Fuller and wife, Brockton . . . . .	7 65
Arthur McNulty, Concord . . . . .	18 14
Mrs. N. F. Shurtleff, Brockton . . . . .	6 00

Paid for Robert Erskine, Stoughton . . .	\$33 70
Charles A. Stewart and wife, State . . .	8 00
Charles A. Stearns and wife, Boston . . .	9 75
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	\$1,448 11

No appropriation.

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### MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

Paid C. C. Farnham, M. D. . . . .	\$50 00
Visits made : W. Doyle . . . . .	3
J. Bacigalupo . . . . .	3
T. F. Hand . . . . .	32
J. A. Sylvester . . . . .	24
Paid J. S. Sullivan, M. D. . . . .	50 00
Visits made : C. Stickney . . . . .	24
W. P. Fox . . . . .	4
J. A. Sylvester . . . . .	2
P. H. Hand . . . . .	2
D. Donovan . . . . .	4
Mrs. J. Riley . . . . .	3
W. E. Fox . . . . .	5
B. Gill . . . . .	3
T. Sullivan . . . . .	1
P. Sutton . . . . .	3
Paid A. L. Chase, M. D. . . . .	50 00
Visits made : M. Blencowe . . . . .	56
E. A. White . . . . .	7
Mrs. G. White . . . . .	2
Mary Chandler . . . . .	7
Paid Warren M. Babbitt, M. D. . . . .	50 00
Visits made : A. Veazie . . . . .	18
D. French . . . . .	7
T. Curran . . . . .	11



T. Sullivan . . .	6	
T. Ward . . .	4	
W. Doyle . . .	3	
G. W. Averell . . .	3	
Paid T. C. Granger, M. D. . . .		\$50 00
Visits made: Mrs. Hill . . .	20	
Mrs. J. Treanor . . .	26	
C. Lunsman . . .	5	
Alms house . . .	10	
Paid W. F. Holmes, M. D. . . .		50 00
Visits made: J. T. Manning . . .	15	
H. Currie . . .	27	
T. Donohoe . . .	4	
Mrs. H. Leahy . . .	14	
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		\$300 00
Appropriation, \$300 00		

#### CASH RECEIVED BY THE SELECTMEN.

From sale of produce . . . . .	\$253 47
Labor of town teams . . . . .	187 84
Aid refunded . . . . .	30 00
Watering streets . . . . .	29 50
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	\$500 81

RANDOLPH, February 8, 1904.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find the same correct with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM.

JEREMIAH J. DESMOND.

JOHN B. WREN.

## ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1904.

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Schools (see report of School Committee) . . . . .	\$10,160 00
Stetson High School (see report of Trustees) . . . . .	2,200 00
Town Officers . . . . .	2,400 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	1,600 00
Tree Warden . . . . .	100 00
Repairs of highways, including removal of snow, . . . . .	3,000 00
Highway plant (note) . . . . .	500 00
Fire alarm (note) . . . . .	500 00
Street loan (note) . . . . .	630 00
Street loan (note) . . . . .	850 00
Poor in almshouse . . . . .	1,800 00
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	2,500 00
Soldiers' relief . . . . .	500 00
Soldiers' relief, Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	500 00
Military aid . . . . .	200 00
Electric lighting . . . . .	3,400 00
Interest on town debt . . . . .	2,400 00
Treasurer's bond . . . . .	120 00
Medical attendance on poor . . . . .	300 00
Board of Health . . . . .	200 00
Lockup . . . . .	200 00
Fire Department (see report of Engineers) . . . . .	3,361 00
Water Works (see report of Water Commis- sioners . . . . .	4,700 00
Special police . . . . .	700 00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> \$42,821 00

## LIST OF JURORS, 1904.

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Atherton, Winthrop B.	Publisher.
Alden, F. Wayland	Retired.
Alden, Arthur W.	Janitor.
Burke, James	Shoemaker.
Barrett, Redmond	Retired.
Corliss, Simon B.	Retired.
Cole, Charles H.	Farmer.
Casey, Peter	Shoemaker.
Dyer, James M.	Farmer.
Dowd, James	Shoemaker.
Desmond, John	Shoemaker.
Elliott, George A.	Laster.
French, Fred M.	Insurance.
Forrest, Richard	Laster.
Flood, John T.	Insurance.
Foster, Samuel A.	Grocer.
Friar, Adolphus S.	Retired.
Fox, Thomas	Shoemaker.
Galagher, Joseph C.	Cigar manufacturer.
Goeres, Louis	Shoemaker.
Good, William	Salesman.
Grover, Frank R.	Farmer.
Holbrook, Arthur H.	Farmer.
Howard, Martin V. B.	Shoemaker.
Huke, Robert	Farmer.
Leahy, Joseph T.	Insurance.
Mann, Edwin M.	Farmer.

Mahady, William	Laborer.
McLaughlin, Patrick H.	Dry goods dealer.
McAuliffe, Richard	Retired.
Niles, Isaac	Auctioneer.
Pope, David	Retired.
Purcell, John T.	Shoemaker.
Quinn, Edward	Undertaker.
Reynolds, George A.	Farmer.
Roel, George A.	Mechanic.
Scanlon, Maurice E.	Farmer.
Spear, William B.	Painter.
Stetson, Frank E.	Farmer.
Tileston, Frank H.	Shoemaker.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,  
 GEORGE H. EDDY,  
 CHARLES H. THAYER,

*Selectmen.*

# TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

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## TRUSTEES, 1903.

J. WHITE BELCHER, *President.*

JOHN J. CRAWFORD, *Vice-President and Treasurer.*

WILLIAM H. LEAVITT, *Secretary.*

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,

CHARLES H. THAYER.

GEORGE H. EDDY.

*Selectmen of Randolph, ex-officiis.*

ASA P. FRENCH.

HENRY A. BELCHER.

JOHN V. BEAL.

WINTHROP B. ATHERTON.

N. IRVING TOLMAN.

JOHN E. BRADLEY.

MRS. ALICE M. T. BEACH.

MRS. CLARA A. WALES.

MRS. ELLEN J. T. CRAWFORD.

*Librarian.*

CHARLES C. FARNHAM.

*Assistant Librarian.*

MISS FANNIE C. HOWARD.

## PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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In accordance with the requirements of Article 3 of the By-Laws of the Turner Free Library, the twenty-eighth annual report is herewith submitted, showing the condition of the trust, the building, library and funds, with reports of different committees and of the librarian presented to the trustees, for the year ending December 31, 1903.

### TRUST.

The trust remains the same as in previous years, and consists of the library building, library, funds invested and the income arising therefrom. The present condition of the funds will be found in the report of the finance committee herewith submitted.

### BUILDING.

The committee on building (consisting of John J. Crawford, Henry A. Belcher, N. Irving Tolman, Charles H. Thayer and George H. Eddy) report that the "building is in good condition, and no extraordinary repairs will be required on the same the coming year."

### LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library was made in July by the library committee (consisting of J. White Belcher, Asa P. French, Mrs. Clara A. Wales, Mrs. Ellen J. T. Crawford and William H. Leavitt), and the books, charts and furnishings of the library were found as usual in excellent condition; all books belonging to the library were accounted for by the librarian.



## FUNDS.

The committee on finance (consisting of John V. Beal, P. H. McLaughlin, Winthrop B. Atherton and John E. Bradley) report as follows :

*"To the Trustees of the Turner Free Library :*

"In compliance with the requirements of Article Tenth of By-Laws of the Turner Free Library, the committee on finance herewith present a report of the receipts and expenditures thereof for the financial year commencing January 1, 1903, and ending December 31, 1903; also the result of their examination of the Treasurer's accounts and of such estimates and recommendations for the ensuing year as in their judgment seem requisite for the prosperity of the library.

"The receipts for the treasury during this period of time as per accounts of John J. Crawford, Treasurer, including the balance \$591.26 of last year, were \$3,136.84.

"The payments from the treasury during the same period were \$2,585.70, making an excess of receipts over expenditures of \$551.14.

"Having examined the accounts of the treasury, the committee find that all bills and orders for expenditures which have been presented for payment have been paid by the Treasurer upon the approval of the proper committee of the library, and proper vouchers therefor by him retained and placed on file, and that his accounts are in all respects true and accurate; that a cash balance of \$551.14, as above shown, is now in the treasury and remains on deposit in the State National Bank, Boston.

"The committee further find that all the rents and interest and all the revenues from whatever source have been duly collected and properly secured.

"The remaining funds of the library, exclusive of the above mentioned balance, consist of five thousand (5000) dollars



invested in a promissory note of the town of Randolph, bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars as the 'Turner Fund' invested as follows:

"Two bonds of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad of \$1000 each.

"Two bonds of the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western Railroad, \$500 each.

"One bond of the Old Colony Railroad Company of \$1000.

"One bond of the Western Telephone & Telegraph Company of \$1000.

"Two bonds of the Chicago & West Michigan Railroad Company of \$1000 each.

"Three bonds of the Union Pacific Railroad Company of \$500 each.

"Thirty-three shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

"The Royal W. Turner bequest is invested as follows:

"Ten Old Colony Railroad bonds \$1000 each.

"Ten Wayne County, Michigan, bonds \$1000 each."

The committee consider that the income of the funds will be sufficient to meet the current expenses of the ensuing year, and, therefore, recommend that no appropriation be solicited from the town.

Randolph, December 31, 1903.

"A detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements for the financial year ending December 31, 1903, will be found in the report of the Treasurer hereto annexed."

Dr. Charles C. Farnham, the librarian, presents his twenty-eighth annual report as follows:

"*To the Board of Trustees of the Turner Free Library:*

"Ladies and Gentlemen,—I have the honor to present for

your consideration my twenty-eighth annual report, covering the operations of the year ending December 31, 1903.

"In doing so I have no startling innovation or unusual happening to chronicle. The work has been done systematically, heartily, and, I trust, in a satisfactory manner, and in the effort made to aid faithfully every laudable endeavor for investigation, to render our full share of service to the public, and to keep the library at the forefront as an educational agency, much of encouragement has been given, not only by the trustees in the purchase of desirable literature, but in the frequent words of approval from discriminating patrons, and expressions of appreciation of the efforts of both trustees and librarians to fully meet every reasonable demand.

"These evidences of pleasure and commendation on the part of the public are at least gratifying to us, and will encourage all in the continuance of helpful endeavor.

"During the year now closed, the library has been open to the public 276 days. The number of borrowers has increased to 1,123. The number of volumes added has been 781, making our present total 17,870. The number of volumes drawn upon teachers' cards has been 1,872. The number of volumes borrowed for home use has been 19,574, a daily average of 71.

"A large number of papers and magazines has been added to the reading-room supply. An excellent bulletin of recent additions has been issued, and is being freely distributed.

"There has been received from the library of the late Dr. Frederick Howard, by gift of Mrs. Howard, 65 volumes of foreign classics, a generous and valuable addition in this department. Also from Mr. John McVey, the large and valuable three-volume work, 'New York at Gettysburg.' The Engineer (an excellent electrical paper) has been regularly received, the gift of an unknown donor.

"The art exhibits of pictures furnished by the Library Art Club have been 5 in number, illustrating the following subjects: Siena, English country houses, Orvieto, Helman-Taylor, Holland.

"Due notice of the several exhibits has been given in the local paper, and by personal invitation the lovers of art have been fully informed regarding any changes.

"It is a matter of regret that such educational agencies as these are not more fully appreciated and studied by the general public. There is now on exhibition a choice collection of Dutch views representing art and artists of Holland. This exhibit has been selected with especial reference to the needs of the Randolph Art Club, Dutch art being their study this winter. The views will remain with us from Dec. 22 to Feb. 1, twice the usual time, thus affording the ladies abundant opportunity for study and for holding their meetings in the Art Room of the Library, before the pictures give place to the more popular exhibit of 'Yachts and Yacht-racing.' I mention some of these things that you may know how we plan our exchanges, and to show you that our chief desire is to make the library, in its several departments, useful and instructive to all.

"The circulation has fallen slightly below that of 1902, attributable chiefly, I apprehend, to the constant employment afforded the laboring classes during the past year.

"It is gratifying to report a large circulation, and as a general rule it is indicative of a desire on the part of the people of the town to improve themselves, and yet we know full well that the efficiency of library work cannot be properly measured by its circulation of books.

"The borrower who comes every evening for a new and thrilling story, is by no means the one who is receiving the greater benefit from the library. Indeed, those who read much less in pages but more in pith, those who read less for

simple pleasure and more for actual improvement, are the patrons whose course of reading and study can best justify the generous expenditures annually made.<sup>3</sup>

At the close of another year the trustees desire to again place upon record their appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the librarian and the assistant librarian in the care and management of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

*President of the Board of Trustees.*

Randolph, Jan. 1, 1904.

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## REPORT OF TREASURER OF TURNER FREE LIBRARY.

RANDOLPH, Mass., Jan. 1, 1904.

*To the Trustees of Turner Free Library:*

In compliance with the requirements of the By-Laws, I hereby submit my annual report as Treasurer of Turner Free Library.

Jan. 1, 1904.	RECEIPTS.	
Income from Turner Fund . . . .		\$502 00
R. W. Turner legacy . . . .		800 00
Rent from Randolph Savings Bank . . . .		300 00
C. Fred Lyons . . . .		250 00
Ladies' Library Association . . . .		15 00
Interest on Town Randolph note . . . .		200 00
Town appropriation for insurance . . . .		322 20
From Randolph Savings Bank, for fuel . . . .		101 38
Fines and collections . . . .		55 00
Balance January 1, 1903 . . . .		591 26
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		\$3,136 84

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books and periodicals . . . . .	\$724 86
binding . . . . .	116 55
salary of librarian . . . . .	500 00
salary of assistant . . . . .	250 00
salary of janitor . . . . .	125 00
electric light . . . . .	100 00
printing and supplies . . . . .	126 39
express . . . . .	16 60
insurance . . . . .	277 20
repairs . . . . .	38 90
fuel . . . . .	300 20
rent of safe deposit box . . . . .	10 00
Balance December 31, 1903 . . . . .	551 14
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	\$3,136 84

The Turner Fund of \$10,000 is invested in :

- 2 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R. bonds of \$1,000 each.
- 2 Chicago & West Michigan R. R. bonds of 1,000 "
- 1 Old Colony R. R. bond of . . . . . 1,000 "
- 1 Western Telephone & Telegraph Co. bond of 1,000 "
- 2 Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western R. R. bonds of 500 "
- 3 Union Pacific R. R. bonds of . . . . . 500 "
- 33 shares of the preferred stock of the Union Pacific R. R. Co.

The Royal W. Turner legacy is invested in :

- 10 Old Colony R. R. bonds of . . . . . \$1,000 each.
- 10 Wayne County, Michigan, bonds of . . . . . 1,000 "

The remaining funds of the library are represented by a note of the Town of Randolph for \$5000, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. CRAWFORD,

*Treasurer.*



## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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ROYAL T. MANN, CHAIRMAN.

REDMOND P. BARRETT, SECRETARY.

REDMOND P. BARRETT . . . . .	Term expires 1904
JOHN E. McDONALD . . . . .	Term expires 1905
ROYAL T. MANN . . . . .	Term expires 1906

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### Trustees of Stetson School Fund.

ROYAL T. MANN, *Chairman.*

FRED M. FRENCH, *Secretary.*

REDMOND P. BARRETT . . . . .	Term expires 1904
JOHN E. McDONALD . . . . .	Term expires 1905
ROYAL T. MANN . . . . .	Term expires 1906

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### Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. JOHN E. BRADLEY.

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Office, School Committee Rooms. Tuesday and Thursday, 3 to 4  
o'clock P.M.

Regular meeting of the School Committee last Friday of the month,  
7:30 P.M.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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### *To the Citizens of Randolph:*

The School Committee hereby make and submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1903. The school buildings are generally in good repair; some improvements in furnishing the schoolrooms have been made during the year. As much was expended for that purpose as our appropriation would warrant.

We desire to call the attention of the voters of the town to the report of the Superintendent of Schools relative to the North Grammar School building, one room of which is entirely inadequate, and is taxed beyond its seating capacity. In view of the fact, it would appear that increased facilities were required; therefore your Committee would recommend that an addition of one story be added to the westerly end of this building, thereby making one room suitable for this school, without a large expenditure of money, which we think would be ample for many years to come. An article for this purpose will be inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting.

School census taken September, 1903, shows the number of children between the ages of five and fifteen to be 653, an increase of 14 from the previous year.

The report of the Superintendent of Schools is subjoined, giving a detailed account of the condition and work of the schools for the past year.

A detailed statement of the expenditures in this depart-



ment for the year ending December 31, 1903, is annexed to this report.

The Committee ask the town to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to meet the expenses of the schools for the year ending December 31, 1904 :

For teaching . . . . .	\$7,780 00
Care of rooms . . . . .	600 00
Fuel . . . . .	600 00
Books and supplies . . . . .	900 00
Miscellaneous, incidental and permanent repairs . . . . .	800 00
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	80 00
Superintendent of schools . . . . .	600 00
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	\$11,360 00

Less estimate revenue from dog tax, State School Fund and Coddington Fund . . . . .	\$700 00
State, for Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	300 00
State, for salary of teachers . . . . .	200 00
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	1,200 00
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	\$10,160 00
Also for Stetson High School . . . . .	\$2,200 00

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL T. MANN,  
JOHN E. McDONALD,  
R. P. BARRETT,

*School Committee.*

## EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS, 1903.

## FOR TEACHING (38 weeks).

Paid Nelson Freeman . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Joseph Belcher . . . . .	1,000 00
Ellen P. Henry . . . . .	449 92
Katherine A. Kiley . . . . .	488 00
Katherine E. Sheridan . . . . .	418 00
Mary A. Molloy . . . . .	449 92
Mary E. Wren . . . . .	399 00
Katherine R. Molloy . . . . .	380 00
Clara A. Tolman . . . . .	380 00
Lucie W. Lewis . . . . .	380 00
Hannah F. Hoyer . . . . .	380 00
Sara C. Belcher . . . . .	380 00
Fanny A. Campbell . . . . .	380 00
Emma Stetson . . . . .	380 00
Ellen E. McLaughlin . . . . .	380 00
Katherine Riley . . . . .	380 00
Katherine T. Woodbury . . . . .	156 00
Margaret L. Powers (4 months) . . . . .	43 20
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	\$7,824 04

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid John E. Bradley . . . . .	\$600 00
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## BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid E. E. Babb & Co. . . . .	\$214 43
Silver, Burdett Co. . . . .	51 01
Ginn & Co. . . . .	209 78
American Book Co. . . . .	414 30
Educational Publishing Co. . . . .	24 48
Esterbrook Steel Pen Co. . . . .	7 60

Paid T. H. Castor Co. . . . .	\$4 80
J. L. Hammett Co. . . . .	95 43
Thompson Brown Co. . . . .	11 51
L. E. Knott Appr. Co. . . . .	31 29
Chandler Desk Co. . . . .	12 30
Forbes Lithograph Co. . . . .	18 50
Houghton, Mifflin Co. . . . .	5 38
Boston School Supply . . . . .	4 80
D. C. Heath Co. . . . .	3 75
Thorp-Martin Co. . . . .	2 50
L. H. Findley . . . . .	5 25
Milton Bradley Co. . . . .	1 75
G. & C. Merriam Co. . . . .	18 80
M. A. Atherton . . . . .	25 50
C. H. Batchelder . . . . .	1 88
Smith Premier Typewriter Co. . . . .	74 00
Remington Typewriter Co. . . . .	74 00
Atkinson Mentzer Co. . . . .	14 16
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	\$1,327 30

## CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid George M. Johnson . . . . .	\$120 00
John P. Rooney . . . . .	290 00
Francis B. Thayer . . . . .	47 08
Eleanor Holbrook . . . . .	42 00
W. H. Carroll . . . . .	49 97
Andrews Hayes . . . . .	7 50
A. W. Alden . . . . .	6 00
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	\$562 55

## FUEL.

Paid D. B. White . . . . .	\$499 00
E. M. Mann . . . . .	24 50

Paid M. E. Leahy . . . . .	\$62 75
Andrew Hayes . . . . .	9 00
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	\$595 25

## TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

Paid Old Colony Street Railway Co. . . . .	\$60 00
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## GENERAL EXPENSE.

Paid W. McElwain . . . . .	\$57 65
J. White Belcher, insurance . . . . .	32 00
Fred M. French, insurance . . . . .	133 32
Lyons Express . . . . .	10 00
George F. Taylor . . . . .	20 59
Francis B. Thayer . . . . .	12 60
Continental Brush Co. . . . .	40 00
F. W. Hayden . . . . .	45
E. A. Perry . . . . .	55 35
John P. Rooney . . . . .	82 00
A. W. Alden . . . . .	9 75
M. E. Leahy . . . . .	3 00
F. J. Donohue, truant officer . . . . .	20 00
Nelson Mann, truant officer . . . . .	20 00
M. F. Hayden . . . . .	8 87
C. A. Lyman . . . . .	17 00
M. W. Baker . . . . .	26 80
James F. Hurley . . . . .	13 50
Joseph Belcher . . . . .	3 03
E. W. Campagna . . . . .	61 03
D. J. Hand . . . . .	1 00
Alfred H. Smith . . . . .	7 15
W. H. Carroll . . . . .	13 00

Paid James B. McDonald . . . . .	\$124 23
Burditt Williams . . . . .	96
J. Frank Libby . . . . .	36 15
C. E. Lyons . . . . .	7 70
W. A. Croak . . . . .	56 55
Dexter T. Clark . . . . .	5 00
J. E. McDonald . . . . .	2 00
Taunton Lumber Co. . . . .	3 20
R. E. O'Brien . . . . .	94 50
C. H. Cole . . . . .	5 00
W. F. Barrett . . . . .	20 00
Loring & Howard . . . . .	7 75
Griffith Jones . . . . .	9 20
C. Fred Lyons . . . . .	12 66
Nichols Express . . . . .	19 08
D. H. Huxford . . . . .	48 84
Eugene Thayer . . . . .	25 34
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	\$1,126 25

## RECAPITULATION.

Paid for Teaching . . . . .	\$7,824 04
Superintendent . . . . .	600 00
Books and supplies . . . . .	1,327 30
Care of rooms . . . . .	562 55
Fuel . . . . .	595 25
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	60 00
General expenses . . . . .	1,126 25
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	\$12,095 39

## INCOME FROM FUNDS, TAXES, ETC.

Wards of State, tuition . . . . .	\$123 00
Wards of City of Boston, tuition . . . . .	41 00

Massachusetts School Fund . . . . .	\$622 39
State Treasurer, on account of Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	300 00
State Treasurer, on account teaching . . . . .	200 00
One year's interest on Coddington Fund . . . . .	64 00
Dog licenses . . . . .	478 84
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	\$1,829 23

# STETSON SCHOOL FUND

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

### *To the Citizens of Randolph:*

There has been only a slight change in the investment of this fund since our last annual report. At the commencement of the year the trustees purchased a piano for the hall at a cost of \$375, which sum was taken from the deposits in the Randolph Savings Bank, thereby decreasing that deposit by that amount.

The fund now stands as follows, the valuation being at par :

10 shares National Bank of Redemption . . .	\$1,000 00
10 shares Eliot National Bank . . .	1,000 00
4 shares State National Bank . . .	400 00
10 shares Exchange National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Boylston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares Old Boston National Bank . . .	1,000 00
10 shares National Shawmut Bank . . .	1,000 00
6 shares Webster National Bank . . .	600 00
7 Northern Pacific and Great Northern 4 per cent bonds . . . . .	7,000 00
Deposit in the Randolph Savings Bank . . .	1,023 83
1 piano, value . . . . .	375 00
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	\$15,398 83



The investment of the Turner Fund has not been changed. The trustees heartily indorse what the Superintendent of Schools has said in his report relative to the accommodations of our High School building, and we feel that the time has come when the town must take action in regard to more comfortable and commodious quarters for this school by some addition to the present building. An article for this purpose will be inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting, and we recommend that the voters of the town take immediate action upon this matter, that the long felt need of our High School may be supplied.

Relative to the work of the High School for the past year, see report of the Superintendent of Schools.

The report of the secretary, Fred M. French, Esq., is hereunto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL T. MANN,  
JOHN E. McDONALD,  
R. P. BARRETT,

*Trustees of the Stetson School Fund.*

## DR. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN ACCOUNT WITH

1903.

To balance of old account . . . . .	\$41 96
town appropriation for year . . . . .	2,200 00
bank dividends, Eliot . . . . .	\$70 00
Shawmut . . . . .	60 00
Redemption . . . . .	60 00
Exchange . . . . .	60 00
Boylston . . . . .	50 00
Old Boston . . . . .	40 00
Webster . . . . .	30 00
State . . . . .	24 00
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	\$394 00
interest on N. P. & G. N. bonds . . . . .	280 00
M. M. Alden for radiators . . . . .	25 00
Stetson High School, refunded on table . . . . .	20 00
Randolph Savings Bank, interest . . . . .	48 98
rent of hall for year . . . . .	163 00
rent of piano . . . . .	16 00
bank tax refunded by town . . . . .	152 18

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 \$3,341 12

## THE STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1903.

By paying F. E. Chapin, salary for year . . .	\$1,400 00
Alice R. McGann, salary . . .	173 67
Nellie G. Prescott, salary . . .	26 05
Katherine O. Fletcher, salary . . .	521 04
Katherine F. Garrity, salary . . .	376 31
Arthur W. Alden, care of schoolroom . . .	84 00
Arthur W. Alden, extras . . .	7 50
Estate of Charles Doughty, lighting and supplies . . .	75 16
Kingsbury Tibbitts, labor and material . . .	20 95
George F. Taylor, labor . . .	11 51
R. E. O'Brien . . .	14 12
Estate of F. Porter, supplies . . .	24 10
Daniel B. White, coal . . .	263 00
F. E. Chapin, decorating hall . . .	3 00
C. W. Smith Co., piano cover and tuning piano . . .	8 00
Derby Desk Co., for table . . .	45 00
George E. Crafts, musical instructor . . .	75 00
Daniel H. Huxford, printing . . .	46 60
Fred M. French, insurance . . .	52 48
J. B. McDonald, labor and material . . .	55 01
Frank F. Smith, charcoal . . .	9 60
J. White Belcher, insurance . . .	17 00
Edwin M. Mann, wood . . .	8 00
H. C. Kendall, filling diplomas . . .	2 00
Trustees and Secretary for services . . .	20 00
Balance . . .	2 02
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FRED M. FRENCH,  
*Secretary.*

RANDOLPH, February 1, 1904.

The undersigned have this day examined the accounts of the Secretary of the Stetson School Fund and find the same correct with proper vouchers for all orders drawn.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,  
GEORGE H. EDDY,  
CHARLES H. THAYER,  
*Selectmen of Randolph.*

RANDOLPH, February 1, 1904.

The undersigned, Selectmen of Randolph, having this day made an examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund for the year 1903, find them correct.

The investments for the fund are as follows :

National Shawmut Bank, 10 shares . . .	\$1,000 00
Eliot National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
National Bank of Redemption, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
National Exchange Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Boylston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Old Boston National Bank, 10 shares . . .	1,000 00
Webster National Bank, 6 shares . . .	600 00
State National Bank, 4 shares . . .	400 00
7 Northern Pacific & Great Northern 4 per cent joint bonds at \$1000 . . . . .	7,000 00
Deposit in Randolph Savings Bank . . .	1,023 83
Piano in Stetson Hall . . . . .	375 00
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	\$15,398 83

We also find in the hands of the Secretary a \$1,000 bond of the City of Minneapolis, Minn., the investment for the Turner Fund.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,  
 GEORGE H. EDDY,  
 CHARLES H. THAYER,  
*Selectmen.*

REPORT  
OF THE  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

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RANDOLPH, December 31, 1903.

*To the School Committee of the Town of Randolph:*

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to present to you and through you to the people of Randolph a report of the schools under your charge for the school year ending June 30, 1903; also additional statistics and remarks relating to the work of the current year.

The schools opened on Tuesday, September 8, 1902, and closed on Friday, June 26, 1903. Owing to the lack of coal the holiday vacation was extended two weeks; a vacation of one week was also taken in the spring, March 29–April 5. The schools were therefore in session for the usual period of thirty-eight weeks. Prolonging the school term so late into the summer is in general to be deprecated and fortunately is not likely to become necessary again. The work of the year has been in many particulars excellent. The teachers have been earnest and faithful, and the pupils have to a gratifying degree caught their spirit and evinced a desire and determination to make the most of their school days. The attendance—93.06 per cent—shows a slight improvement over last year and a still larger gain over the previous year, but is still below what we hope it will be. Several rooms have made a marked improvement in this fundamental matter. The amount of tardiness has been much reduced. The health of teachers and pupils has been good, no epidemics have pre-

vailed, and few pupils have left school to go to work or for other causes. The following summary gives the usual statistics of the year :

# STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1903.

Number of school buildings . . . . .	7
Number of schools keeping separate registers . . . . .	17
Number of regular teachers . . . . .	19
Whole number of pupils enrolled . . . . .	695
Whole number of boys . . . . .	356
Whole number of girls . . . . .	339
Average membership . . . . .	632.89
Average attendance . . . . .	588.96
Per cent of attendance (based upon average membership) . . . . .	93.06
Number of pupils under 5 years of age . . . . .	5
Number of pupils between 5 and 15 . . . . .	646
Number of pupils between 7 and 14 . . . . .	463
Number of pupils over 15 . . . . .	44

## Number of pupils in —

First Grade . . . . .	92	Seventh Grade . . . . .	78
Second Grade . . . . .	77	Eighth Grade . . . . .	59
Third Grade . . . . .	77	Ninth (High School), . . . . .	46
Fourth Grade . . . . .	76	Tenth " . . . . .	33
Fifth Grade . . . . .	64	Eleventh " . . . . .	12
Sixth Grade . . . . .	71	Twelfth " . . . . .	8

Number of cases of truancy . . . . .	13
Number who have not been absent . . . . .	28
Number who have not been tardy . . . . .	302
Number who have neither been absent nor tardy, . . . . .	18
Number of grade promotions . . . . .	564



## THE STATE APPORTIONMENT.

It has long been the policy of the State of Massachusetts to grant special aid to the smaller towns in the support of their schools. The reasons of this policy relate to the highest welfare of the whole State and need not be enumerated here. From 1834 to 1891, one-half of the income of the State School Fund was distributed among the various towns and cities of the State on the basis of population; the other half was distributed, under varying conditions, among the smaller towns on the basis of valuation, the smaller towns receiving the larger sums. Various amendments of the school laws were passed in 1891, 1893, 1896 and 1901 favoring the smaller towns. In 1902 the law relating to superintendency districts went into effect, providing, in addition to the general distribution of school money, for the payment of one-half of the salary of a superintendent of the schools of the district, and giving \$500 additional for the benefit of the district. In 1902, by a resolve of the Legislature, a commission was appointed by the governor to take into consideration the aid given to the towns from the income of the school fund and to determine a method of distributing the amount paid by the State for educational purposes and report the results of their investigations to the next Legislature with recommendations for such legislation as they deemed advisable. Their recommendations were enacted into a law by the last Legislature, under which the smaller towns receive a large increase in the amount apportioned to them from the State.

Mention should also be made of the fact that since 1894 large sums have been annually added to the school fund from the general tax levy of the State, thus providing for a steady increase in the income, which is to be distributed among the towns. It is also to be noted that, by a special



law passed in 1902, provision is made that every child in the State may receive a high school education if he desires it, holding his town liable therefor. This law also provides that towns having less than five hundred families, and maintaining a high school of a certain grade, satisfactory to the State Board of Education, shall receive from the State annually the sum of \$300. It is doubtful whether any other State has shown so generous a forethought for the welfare of the boys and girls in its smaller towns as is evinced by these legislative enactments.

The distribution of the income of the school fund under the new plan adopted by the last Legislature is made along several different lines. A portion of it, as heretofore, goes for the support of the normal schools and other specific objects. The remainder, \$214,000 for the current year, as estimated in this report, is distributed as follows: Each town whose valuation does not exceed \$500,000 is to receive \$500; each town whose valuation is between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 gets \$300; each town whose valuation is between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 gets \$150, and each town whose valuation is between \$2,000,000 and \$2,500,000 gets \$75. Every town whose tax rate is \$18 or more receives an additional \$75. The remainder of the fund is distributed to all towns whose valuation does not exceed \$2,500,000 on the basis of their appropriation for the support of their own schools, in the proportion of one-third, one-fourth, one-fifth and one-sixth, according to the ratio of their school tax to the tax for all purposes.

On this basis, when this law is carried into full effect according to the figures given in this report, the town of Randolph will receive, on valuation, \$150; on tax rate, \$75; on ratio of school tax, \$597.84, making a total amount to be received from the income of the school fund \$822.84. The apportionment for the past year, under the old law, was

\$344.76. The town will also receive, on account of superintendent of schools, \$500, making a total to be received from the State of \$1,322.84. Of the above items the amount received on the basis of valuation and of tax rate cannot be changed, but a small increase in the proportion of our taxes devoted to education would enable us to receive some \$200 more from the State. In this way several neighboring towns will receive \$797.84 on their ratios.

The amount which this report shows that Randolph will receive from the State is as follows :

On Valuation	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$150 00
Tax rate	.	.	.	.	.	.	75 00
Ratio of school tax to entire tax	.	.	.	.	.	.	597 84
Account of superintendent	.	.	.	.	.	.	300 00
Account of superintendent	.	.	.	.	.	.	200 00
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							\$1,322 84

The law providing for this increased apportionment also requires that a separate account shall be kept of the funds received from the State and that "it shall be expended only for expenses in the maintenance of the public schools authorized by the School Committee."

#### THE WORK IN ENGLISH.

The new course of study in English, which went into effect at the beginning of the year, has given good satisfaction and has already yielded good results. The constant effort from the very beginning is to enable the pupil to gain fluency. The little child must be induced to talk, to express his thoughts freely and with ease in conversation with his teacher. Then he must learn to express them in writing. He will make some mistakes and his language will be that of a child; but this need not trouble us if we can only make

his thoughts and his words flow freely. He will soon outgrow his mistakes ; as his years mature, more attention may be given to his choice of language. Education consists in drawing out, not in repression. Make the pupil familiar with the correct forms of expression, accustomed to use them, and the errors in language will quickly disappear. Later in his course he will learn the reasons why he should use certain forms of expression, but he should be thoroughly habituated to the correct forms of speech long before he is mature enough to understand the reasons for them. This means that much work in language and composition should be done in the lower grades. The child is then in his imitative period of development, and rapidly acquires correct modes of expression. Many of the incorrect and coarse forms of expression, which teachers in the grammar grades strive so hard to eradicate, ought never to have become habitual. To a good degree the bad habits of speech might have been prevented by wise and efficient instruction in the earlier years of school life. It was during these years that the bad habits of expression were forming. It is comparatively easy to correct them then ; it is difficult after they have become settled habits. It is for this reason that teachers of the primary and intermediate grades are required to give pupils much practice in oral and written language. Ease, fluency and naturalness in expression cannot be too early acquired. It is far better to spend our time in cultivating these than in trying to overcome the faults of expression which will otherwise spring up.

An interesting test of the language work in the schools has recently been made by Dr. J. M. Rice, the editor of the *Forum*, whose study of American school systems is well known. He selected thirty-two representative school buildings in nine principal cities of the country and read to the pupils of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades

in these schools a story which they were asked to reproduce at once in writing. No opportunity was afforded for corrections or re-writing. As might have been anticipated, great differences were found to exist, not so much among the individual pupils as among schools. Many thousand papers were carefully examined and marked, and in some cases the averages obtained in the fourth and fifth grade rooms were higher than those obtained in the eighth grade rooms. Heredity, nationality and home environments, which are usually supposed to count for so much in education, proved to have very small effect upon the general result. The principal factor, Dr. Rice says, is the teaching power of the teacher — not of one teacher alone, but of the succession of teachers which pupils have had as they have advanced in their grades.

The same test was given in our schools under identical conditions, and the results have been carefully compared with those obtained by Dr. Rice. It is gratifying to be able to report that the comparison is, on the whole, favorable to our own schools. None of the papers produced by our pupils are as fine as some of those which he obtained, and none of ours are as poor as some of his. But our average papers are certainly better than his average papers, and the falling off from the best to poor is less rapid. These reproduction stories of ours are, of course, children's work: but they are evidently the work of children who are in the habit of writing. They are for the most part natural, simple and direct and evince considerable ease and vigor of expression — qualities much more to be desired in pupils' work than stilted, affected attempts at fine writing.

#### THE SCHOOL AND THE HOME.

In education, as in other work, the first stages are the most difficult. They lay the foundation on which the subsequent instruction must rest. But in teaching, as in all other



building, that which is most fundamental is least observed. The long years of patient work by the primary teachers attract little attention. The public knows or thinks nothing about them; even the mothers of the little ones who throng the primary rooms have slight conception of the work which is done there from day to day. But great issues depend upon it, and it is impossible to exaggerate its importance.

Take, for example, the simple matter of learning to read. Until a pupil can read he is cut off from one of the principal occupations of the school; he is cut off from many sources of information. When he can read with ease and appreciation, grasping the thought and enjoying the interest, he has a tool put into his hands with which he can do many kinds of work. He can read his number work and the examples in his arithmetic; he can follow printed instructions; he can study his geography lesson and his history, his language exercises and his spelling. But the process of learning to read is at best a long and tedious one. It requires constant tact and patience, and unnumbered expedients and devices on the part of the teacher. Slowly and timidly, with many mistakes and failures, the child learns to take the first steps, acquiring the use of a few easy words. Little by little he learns to connect them in his thought, and to read easy sentences. The pupil's eyes and voice must be trained as well as his brain; mistakes and defects must be corrected. The teacher's efforts must not stop with the mechanical parts of the process; she must see that the pupil gains the full meaning of what he reads.

And teaching the little ones to read, with all which this involves, is only one item in the duties of the primary teacher. And all her work must be done in a sympathetic, helpful, motherly kind of a way, which will gain the confidence and best efforts of the little learner. The child is imitative. He catches the spirit, the manners and the ideas of those

about him, especially of his teacher. To a large extent she carries him along by her own nervous energy. He looks to her to solve the countless little problems which arise in the daily round of his school life. She needs, more perhaps than any other person, to be well and strong, even-tempered and cheerful, interested in her work and willing to give herself unsparingly to it.

The first interest of a wise superintendent of schools is in his primary and intermediate grades. He is anxious to see the foundations well laid. Many pupils never reach the higher grades, and for those who do it is of the first importance that the earlier work should be well done. Otherwise pupils will be perpetually embarrassed and retarded as they advance in their studies, by the weakness and defects which result from poor training in the elements. For instance, in many grammar schools pupils will be found making frequent mistakes in simple arithmetical processes, and even counting their fingers in adding or subtracting, because their early instruction in numbers was not good. They will read with a tone, false inflections of the voice, and other habitual faults after they reach the high school, or perhaps as long as they live, because some teachers in their early school life permitted them to fall into these bad habits, or failed to secure their free and normal mental action. So inveterate are the results of poor or deficient instruction.

It takes a long time for the full results of educational work to appear. Improved organization and instruction in the primary grades soon bring visible improvement, but the full consequences are best seen years afterwards in the ease and rapidity with which the pupil's work is done in intermediate and grammar grades. While much improvement is still to be made, much has already been accomplished. Many pupils now read better in the second grade than pupils did in the third grade two years ago. The number work has improved,

and pupils are able much earlier to make the combinations without the use of objects. The improvement in oral and written language work has been gratifying. The introduction of drawing has enabled pupils to learn to write earlier and more legibly, and makes the written work in number and language neater and more methodical. Beautiful extracts and useful maxims are committed to memory. The children are becoming familiar with trees, flowers, animals, birds and insects, and learning to see the beautiful things in nature which are displayed in such profusion all about them.

The years of childhood are the most precious years of one's life, and it is a great thing to make them more productive. If by better grading, better teaching, better adaptation of subjects, more sympathetic methods and management, we can enable a pupil to learn more of any subject in a year; if we can make his mind more alert and intelligent; if we can improve his habitual forms of expression; if we can increase his desire for knowledge and guide it to useful ends; if we can cultivate in him habits of obedience, self-control and industry; if we can teach him the virtues of fair play, truthfulness and patriotism, we are rendering a service whose importance cannot be over-estimated. And this is precisely what the quiet, faithful teacher is seeking to accomplish with the unformed minds and characters committed to her care. Surely her work ought to be better understood and appreciated by the community.

Parents, older brothers and sisters, and all in the home circles can do much to aid the teacher in her work. There should be a mutual understanding. Teachers and parents alike desire the pupil's progress and improvement. Hearty and intelligent co-operation between the school and the home is of the greatest value to the child. The Superintendent of Schools earnestly asks parents, on behalf of the schools and for the sake of their own children, to aid in promoting the interests of the schools.



1. See that your children are constant and punctual in attendance. An occasional absence inflicts an injury, perhaps an irreparable injury, upon your child. Every day has its work in school. If a pupil misses the lessons of a day a broken place is left in his work. A few lost days make him a drag upon his class and endanger his promotion at the end of the year. In the monthly reports it is usually found that the lowest third or quarter of the class have two or three times as many absences marked against them as the same number of pupils at the head of the class. Absence brings restlessness and discouragement very demoralizing to a pupil's best interests. Sickness cannot always be prevented, but absence for other reasons should be strictly avoided.

2. Visit the schools occasionally. See your children in their every day work. Know what they are doing. Let them see how much you are interested. It will help and encourage their teacher and enable her to do better work. It will stimulate the pupils and fill them with interest and ambition.

3. Ask your children about their studies. Examine the language exercises, the drawings and other work which they bring home. Commend improvement. Inquire about their difficulties. Magnify the school in their minds. Ask about their reading. Have something for them to read aloud at home. Tell them about your own school days. Praise them if their names are on the Roll of Honor for a month, a term, a year.

4. The Superintendent will be glad to be of service to any parent in promoting the welfare of a pupil. He has office hours in the Selectmen's room, and can be consulted at any time with reference to school matters. A few parents have already availed themselves of the opportunity to consult him, but he would be glad to be of service to others.

The gradual change, which should come as a pupil ad-

vances in his grade, from the simple exercises and oral instruction of the primary room to the more studious and self-reliant work of the grammar grades, often proves discouraging to him. He can listen to his teacher, follow her directions, and in an imitative kind of a way solve little problems and write little exercises, but he hesitates and finds difficulties when more independent work is expected of him. He is apt to become discouraged when he is required to prepare a lesson from a text-book or from topics assigned. He has no initiative, no ability to think for himself. Many pupils do not overcome this difficulty until long after they reach the high school; indeed, many never overcome it at all. But it is precisely this end that education should accomplish. The school should teach its pupils to think. Its aim is the development of mental power. Knowledge and information are but secondary means to this great end. The school should awaken the latent capacities of its pupils and give them the ability to work alone, to solve their own problems, to gain information for themselves. Many men and women have never gained this capacity. Their education failed in this important particular. And if the school is to make its pupils self-reliant and train them to think, they must begin early in their school life to conquer difficulties. This element in their education must not be deferred too long. They must learn what it is to study. They must learn to work out problems with paper and pencil, to see the relation of words to one another, to read a paragraph in their history or geography and so grasp its meaning that they can recite it in their own words.

This capacity to study and to think comes little by little under helpful influences. It is especially important at this period of a pupil's progress that the school and the home should work in harmony. Teachers sometimes give too much, sometimes too little assistance. Sometimes the home fails to

co-operate ; no effort is made to keep pupils interested in their school work ; their little complaints are encouraged and magnified. But, in due time, the child must begin to prepare his lessons. Kindly and helpfully the teacher and the parent must require it. The child should feel an honest pride that he can do something. The school and the home should never be so far apart in interest and sympathy that they cannot unite in helping a pupil to learn his lessons. It is hoped that parents will know the teachers and feel free to consult them with reference to their children's work. The children should see and feel that the home and the school are alike interested in their progress. Teachers will always welcome information concerning the needs of their pupils.

#### TYPEWRITING AND STENOGRAPHY.

The High School graduates every year a class of bright, earnest young people, full of energy and ambition and eager to turn their education to profitable account. A few continue their studies in a college or a normal school, but the majority of them wish at once to find remunerative employment. In many cases this proves to be difficult and discouraging, and often, after waiting long, they go to work at very low wages. It is this obvious fact which has led to the widespread introduction of manual training, now required by law in the larger towns and cities of this State. It is this fact also which has led to the introduction of typewriting and stenography into the high school courses all over the country. Business men depend more and more on the typewriter in conducting in their business. Good typewriters are in demand. Ten type-writing machines are used now where one was used a few years ago. Their multiplication is likely to increase.

It is right that our educational work should take note of changes in business methods and recognize the new demands

which they make upon our schools. If but few of our high school graduates enter higher institutions, ought not the high school to do all that it can to equip the majority to meet the demands which are to be made upon them? Young men and women, competent to do good work as typewriters and stenographers, readily obtain positions where they can earn from eight to twelve dollars a week. Without this special training they can earn less than half as much and often have difficulty and delay in obtaining employment. It has thus come about that many young people enter business colleges immediately after graduating from the high school and pay high rates of tuition in order to prepare themselves for positions in stores and offices. Their most important acquisition in these commercial schools is shorthand and the use of the typewriter.

There are few high schools in this vicinity which have not already incorporated typewriting and stenography into their courses. They have recognized the business demand and are endeavoring to respond to it. The method of conducting the work varies in different schools. In some, a full commercial department has been organized; in some, typewriting and shorthand have been added to the course as elective branches of study. There can be no doubt that they are a full equivalent to other school studies. Many who intend to go to college learn stenography, and find it valuable in taking notes of lectures as well as an excellent mental discipline.

In view of these considerations, the committee decided to introduce typewriting and shorthand into the High School at the beginning of the current school year. By uniting with other towns in the employment of a teacher the expense is very small — only \$108 a year for teacher's salary. Miss Margaret A. Powers, a graduate of the Chandler Normal School of Stenography and Typewriting in Boston, has been



engaged as special teacher of the subject. The eagerness of the high school pupils to learn typewriting and shorthand and the rapid progress most of them have made in the subject illustrate its practical value.

#### NEW BUILDINGS.

Before concluding this report, I must ask your attention to a matter of great importance. The time has come for the citizens of Randolph to realize that increased and improved facilities are required for the proper education of the children. Recent events have shown that the people of Randolph are not lacking in public spirit. They desire to promote the general welfare and are not indifferent to the condition of the schools. The fathers and mothers in this town have no fonder hope, no higher ambition, than to see their children growing up into intelligent, well trained manhood and womanhood. For this, they are willing to deny themselves many things, and no taxes are more cheerfully paid than those which provide for the support of the schools.

A considerable period has passed since any new school building has been erected in this town. The School Committee have kept the old ones well freshened up and, as far as possible, in good repair. They are entitled to the thanks of the community for accomplishing so much with so little expense. But the last quarter of a century has been a period of great advance in education as well as in other departments of social and business progress. There are few towns throughout the whole country which have not expended large sums for new school houses during these twenty-five years. And they have found that these expenditures have proved to be valuable investments. For thoughtful people, who have children to educate, do not choose a place of residence without inquiry with reference to school privileges. Many towns have thus attracted large numbers of the most

desirable class of residents by the excellence of their schools. The recent organization of a Citizens Association in this town for the promotion of local improvements makes this suggestion timely. Randolph is favorably situated for suburban residence. It has many attractive features. There is a constant tendency in all our large cities towards suburban residence. Improved electric and train service have greatly stimulated this tendency. We see the movement going on all about us. There is no reason why Randolph should not share in it and benefit by it. And it would be difficult to name anything which would contribute more to Randolph's advantage in this particular than attractive school buildings.

But aside from considerations of this kind, which we cannot afford to overlook, even if there were no prospect of growth the people of Randolph owe it to themselves to see that their school children are well housed. I believe that, without exception, they wish their school buildings to be adequate and suitable. They do not intend to be outstripped in the general march of improvement. They wish their own children to enjoy the best advantages and to gain their education under favorable conditions.

Convinced that such is the fact, I wish to offer two recommendations:

1. A small enlargement of the North Grammar School building. The Third and Fourth Grade room in this building is seriously overcrowded. Its size is utterly inadequate. Every available foot of floor space is occupied with pupils' desks, and yet during this year eight or ten pupils have had to be seated in chairs around the teacher's table and in the corners of the room. The air space is not half what it should be, and ventilation by opening the windows is almost impossible in cold weather because the children sit so near to them. Fortunately the number of pupils is not so large



but that one teacher can care for them if additional space can be provided. This is not difficult to accomplish, by the addition of a small projection to the building costing, it has been estimated, eight hundred dollars (\$800). Even if the expense should be somewhat more, I recommend that this improvement be made.

2. Some more suitable provision for the Stetson High School. This school occupies a few rooms on the lower floor of the Town Hall. As is well known, they are dark, inconvenient and entirely inadequate to the needs of the school. What shall be done for the proper accommodation of the High School, has long been a burning question in this town. It has resulted in driving many pupils away, preventing some from receiving the benefit of a high school education, and sending others to a neighboring town to obtain the education which they might and should receive at home.

Various plans have been proposed. The best, of course, is the erection of a new building suitable for its purpose and appropriately located. Such a building would be a credit to the town, a source of great satisfaction to its people and an attraction to suburban settlers. Its cost need not be beyond the financial capacity of the town if distributed over a period of, say, ten years. Another suggestion has been to erect a one-story building in the rear of Stetson Hall which should be well lighted and well ventilated and afford space for a good study-hall, with cloak-rooms and closets, and be connected with the main building by passage-ways. The present rooms would then afford fairly good space for recitation rooms and laboratory. Still another plan has been proposed, which would perhaps involve less expense than either of these, but may meet with other objections. This is to move the engine house and lock-up to some more eligible site and provide more adequate office room for the town offi-

cers elsewhere. Sufficient light would thus be obtained for the study hall, additional space would be gained for recitation rooms, and a few other changes would secure a fairly good provision for the school.

Of these various plans, no doubt the first one, the erection of a new building, is the best. Consultation with the Selectmen and other parties interested will be necessary in order to determine which plan should be adopted. The essential point is that something should be done; that we should no longer defer the important duty of providing a proper place for the Stetson High School. The high school is the crown of the public school system. It is the key-stone of the arch. Its influence is felt in every other school, not only uniting them into one system but also stimulating the effort and the ambition of every pupil. Whatever detracts from its ascendancy weakens the system. Pupils in the grades below should look forward with eager interest to the time when they will enter the high school. It should be one of their first ambitions to be enrolled among its graduates.

The Stetson High School has borne an honorable part in the history of the town of Randolph. Public spirited citizens, recognizing its importance and its intimate relation to the general welfare, have given generously for its endowment. They wished that it should forever remain a source of strength and of pride to the community. Many of the fathers and mothers of the pupils now in the schools are among its graduates. They wish and every loyal citizen wishes that the children and youth of Randolph should enjoy advantages equal to the best which are now afforded in the surrounding towns. The schools of this town are dear to the people's hearts. Progress will assuredly be made. The people will gladly furnish the means necessary for the growth and improvement of the schools.

I wish, in conclusion, to express my deep appreciation of the constant support accorded to me by the School Committee and to thank the corps of teachers for their steadfast co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. BRADLEY,

*Superintendent.*

## APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

*SCHOOL STATISTICS*  
FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 8, 1902, TO AND ENDING JUNE 6, 1903.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL.	GRADE.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	* Per cent of attendance.	Pupils neither tardy.	Grade Promotions.
F. E. Chapin . . . . .	Stetson High	.	99	91.10	86.24	94.67	3	62
Nellie G. Prescott } Katharine V. Fletcher }	"	.						
Alice R. McGam } Katharine F. Garrity }	"	.						
Nelson Freeman . . . . .	Prescott	.	37	33.19	31.82	95.86	2	26
Katharine A. Kiley . . . . .	"	.	51	42.30	39.80	94.00	0	37
Mary A. Molloy . . . . .	"	.	47	45.00	43.00	95.70	4	46
Katharine A. Sheridan . . . . .	"	.	38	37.00	34.00	94.00	0	31
Mary E. Wren . . . . .	"	.	41	39.00	36.00	92.40	0	36
Ellen E. McLaughlin . . . . .	"	.	33	31.80	30.40	95.60	1	32
Fannie A. Campbell . . . . .	"	.	38	36.00	33.00	91.70	2	34
Kittie R. Molloy . . . . .	"	.	47	41.00	37.00	90.00	0	34
Joseph Belcher . . . . .	North Grammar	.	49	46.00	43.00	93.60	1	43
Ellen P. Henry . . . . .	"	.	38	34.00	31.00	91.00	1	35
Sarah C. Belcher . . . . .	"	.	43	35.00	31.00	89.00	0	35
Clara A. Tolman . . . . .	"	.	37	31.00	28.00	90.00	0	32
Hannah F. Hoyer . . . . .	Tower Hill	.	22	21.00	19.00	94.00	1	20
Katharine J. Riley . . . . .	"	.	25	19.00	17.00	87.80	2	17
Emma D. Stetson . . . . .	Number 1	.	20	20.00	18.00	90.00	1	19
Lucie W. Lewis . . . . .	West Corner	.	30	23.50	20.70	87.80	0	25

\* Per cent of attendance is based upon average membership.

# SCHOOL STATISTICS,

SEPTEMBER 8 TO DECEMBER 8, 1903.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL.	GRADE.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	* Per cent of attendance.	Pupils neither absent nor tardy.
F. E. Chapin .	Stetson High		92	89.00	85.20	95.70	12
Katharine V. Fletcher	"						
Katharine F. Garrity	"						
Nelson Freeman .	Prescott	8	39	34.23	33.64	98.20	12
Katharine A. Kiley .	"	7	48	45.40	44.20	96.00	11
Mary A. Molloy .	"	6	32	31.12	30.41	97.75	15
Katharine E. Sheridan	"	5	50	48.00	46.00	96.00	10
Mary E. Wren .	"	4	44	38.00	37.00	97.37	13
Ellen E. McLaughlin	"	3	40	37.60	36.30	96.50	7
Fannie A. Campbell	"	2	43	40.00	38.60	96.50	11
Kittie R. Molloy .	"	1	40	35.00	34.00	97.00	12
Joseph Belcher .	North Grammar	7 and 8	48	47.00	45.00	96.00	4
Ellen P. Henry	"	5 and 6	40	39.00	37.00	95.00	10
Sarah C. Belcher	"	3 and 4	44	38.00	34.00	90.00	5
Clara A. Tolman .	"	1 and 2	44	39.00	36.00	92.00	2
Hannah F. Hoyer	Tower Hill .	4-6	22	21.00	20.50	97.60	8
Katharine J. Riley .	"	1-3	16	15.96	15.08	94.50	2
Emma D. Stetson .	Number 1 .	1-4	22	22.00	20.00	90.00	0
Lucie W. Lewis .	West Corner	1-4	38	36.00	33.00	91.00	5

\* Per cent of attendance is based upon average membership.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

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The following are names of pupils who were neither absent nor tardy during the school year, 1902-1903 :

### STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Lester F. Payne.	Roger B. Willard.
Katharine E. Schrant.	

### PRESCOTT SCHOOL.

#### *Eighth Grade.*

Charles J. Dolan.	Lena E. Morgan.
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#### *Sixth Grade.*

Mary McMahon.	Geraldine Kennedy.
Mary O'Keefe.	Edward Morgan.

#### *Third Grade.*

Francis Woodman.

#### *Second Grade.*

Estelle Jordan.	Frances Brady.
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### NORTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

#### *Seventh and Eighth Grades.*

Annie E. Mann.

#### *Fifth and Sixth Grades.*

Clarence E. Poole.

### TOWER HILL SCHOOL.

#### *Intermediate Grades.*

Victoria Mallevski.



*Primary Grades.*

John Carroll.

William Carroll.

## WEST CORNER SCHOOL.

George Eddy.

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 Not absent nor tardy during two terms :

Katherine Forrest.	Persis Kingsbury.
Elizabeth Linnehan.	Harold Soule.
Clifton Stetson.	Anna Foley.
May Forrest.	Margaret Kelliher.
Blanch Meaney.	Mary Mulligan.
Julia O'Keefe.	Mary Lyman.
Mary Brady.	Francis Cahill.
John Mannix.	James Mulligan.
Kathleen Uniac.	Josephine Walsh.
Gertrude Bowen.	Martha Gill.
Nora O'Neil.	Jesse Beal.
Joseph Clark.	Charles Hand.
Joseph Mahoney.	William Kiley.
Patrick Gill.	Cossette Dooley.
William McCue.	Ruth Rudderham.
Joseph Rudderham.	Leo Sullivan.
Harry Dolan.	Margaret Strickland.
Anna Morgan.	Elizabeth O'Neil.
James Condon.	William Cunningham.
Leo Kelliher.	Annie Lyons.
Joseph King.	William Leahy.
Mary Morgan.	Annie Madigan.
Russell Willard.	Arthnr Reed.
Ernest Baker.	Willie Connell.
Lillian Converse.	William Grattan.
Helen Mallewski.	Walter Coddens.
Ellis Mann.	Harold Eddy.

Lester Payne.	Roger Willard.
Katherine Schrant.	Charles Dolan.
Lena Morgan.	Mary McMahon.
Mary O'Keefe.	Geraldine Kennedy.
Edward Morgan.	Francis Woodman.
Estelle Jordan.	Frances Brady.
Annie Mann.	Clarence Poole.
Victoria Mallevski.	John Carroll.
William Carroll.	George Eddy.

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The following were not absent nor tardy during the fall term of the present year :

#### STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Norman Baker.	Hugh McMahon.
Alfred Billingham.	Lester Payne.
William Brown.	Clara Perry.
Albert Lynch.	Katherine Schrant.
Regina McAuliffe.	Mary Tynan.
Alice McCarthy.	Roger Willard.

#### PRESCOTT SCHOOL.

##### *Eighth Grade.*

Willie Brennan.	Nora Malley.
William Carney.	Caroline McDonald.
Herbert Foster.	Mary O'Keefe.
Katharyne Henneberry.	Joseph Sullivan.
Catharine Hoye.	Kathleen Uniac.
Marie Kinnier.	Josephine Walsh.

##### *Seventh Grade.*

Jesse Beal.	Stella Nolan.
Joseph Desmond.	Nora O'Neil.
Nellie Desmond.	Charlotte Robbins.

Martha Gill.  
Edward Morgan.

Harold Robbins.  
Gladys Vaughn.  
Ray Whalin.

*Sixth Grade.*

Gertrude Bowen.  
Alice Dowd.  
Estelle Farrell.  
Katharine Foley.  
Elizabeth Holden.  
Marion Howard.  
Blanche Marcille.

Edward Condon.  
Arthur Hagney.  
Henry Kennedy.  
William Riley.  
William Phipps.  
Edward Rounds.  
Joseph McMahon.  
Ruth Rudderham.

*Fifth Grade.*

John Brady.  
Willie Gill.  
Joseph Murphy.  
Neal O'Keefe.  
John Rooney.

Leo Sullivan.  
Joseph Rudderham.  
Annie Dakota.  
Mary Leahy.  
Elizabeth O'Neil.

*Fourth Grade.*

Edith Carroll.  
James Condon.  
William Cunningham.  
Thomas Desmond.  
Charles Kiley.  
Lucien Hogan.

Abbie Lyons.  
Mary Desmond.  
Margaret Gill.  
Ella Henry.  
Ellen Stanton.  
Rachel McDonald.  
Bennie Scannell.

*Third Grade.*

George Dolan.  
Earl Harris.  
Aloysius Murphy.

Blanche Farrell.  
Annie Lyons.  
Esther Sullivan.  
Evelyn Curtis.

*Second Grade.*

Mary Morgan.	Peter Collins.
Annie Madigan.	Joseph Dench.
Anna Wallace.	Frank Desmond.
William Leahy.	Joseph Mulligan.
Peter Madigan.	Timothy O'Niel.
James Tierney.	

*First Grade.*

Marjorie Sullivan.	Gertrude Cahill.
Marion Henley.	Gladys Harris.
Grace Scannell.	James Dowd.
John O'Brien.	David Good.
William Lonergan.	Arthur Curtis.
John Collins.	Frank Delaney.

## NORTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

*Seventh and Eighth Grades.*

Marion Abbott.	Louise Bromade.
Genevieve Meaney.	William McLeer.

*Fifth and Sixth Grades.*

Mary Barry.	Corinne Tileston.
Doris Bump.	Ernest Baker.
Mary Meaney.	Ernest Fornia.
Gladys Porter.	Ellis Mann.
Mabel Scott.	William Meaney.

*Third and Fourth Grades.*

Alice Brown.	Gertrude Meaney.
Edith Mahan.	Dorothy Packard.
Ruth Walsh.	

*First and Second Grades.*

Mary Brennan.	Henry Pinkerton.
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## TOWER HILL SCHOOL.

*Intermediate Grades.*

Walter Coddens.	Charles Devine.
Edward Fahey.	Mabel Fischer.
Frances Hayes.	Harold Macauley.
May McLeer.	Florence Webster.

*Primary Grades.*

Charles Gallagher.	Bessie Hall.
Martha Gallagher.	Dwight Macauley.
Mildred McAuliffe.	Daisy McLeer.
Marion Truelson.	

## WEST CORNER SCHOOL.

Margaret Keenan.	Harold Eddy.
W. Jennie Mann.	George Eddy.
Seth Mann.	



## SPECIAL ROLL OF HONOR.

The following have not been absent nor tardy for two years :

Lester Payne.	Roger Willard.
Victoria Mallevski.	John Carroll.
William Carroll.	Edward Morgan.

*REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF STETSON  
HIGH SCHOOL.*

RANDOLPH, Mass., Jan. 29, 1904.

*Superintendent John E. Bradley:*

Dear Sir,—During the past year our school work has gone forward quietly, and, we think, thoroughly. There seems to be nothing of unusual interest to report, either of success or failure. School problems may change in their incidents, but the underlying principles are constant; the solution of these problems is by no means an easy matter. In fact there may be no absolute answer to many of the difficulties which confront the teacher. The larger human element in the equation demands, on the part of teachers, qualities which we may well despair of finding in any one individual.

Stenography and typewriting have been introduced this year. Miss Margaret L. Powers, of Quincy, who teaches these subjects in the high schools of Bridgewater and Avon, has met the members of the senior and junior classes on Wednesday and Friday mornings, giving one period of forty minutes to each of the two divisions. Two new machines, one a Remington and the other a Smith-Premier, have been used. It is too early as yet to affirm just what progress has been made. Nearly every member of the two upper classes elected the subject, and great interest has been shown. We are confident that Miss Powers has done all that was possible for any teacher to do, and that the pupils have responded to the extent of their time and ability. Perhaps it would be asking too much to expect high school pupils, in one year, while carrying their full quota of other school work, to become proficient stenographers. The enlargement of our course by this addition of business subjects is highly com-



mendable, and cannot fail to yield gratifying results in the immediate future. We have been somewhat annoyed by lack of suitable rooms for our pupils in stenography, but, on the whole, have found that our present quarters are such as to enable us to make a good beginning. Another machine ought to be added as soon as practicable.

Drawing was made elective in September; nearly one-half of the pupils elected to continue this subject, and the work, thus restricted to those who really wished to do it, has been eminently satisfactory. Miss Woodbury has met the two divisions in drawing on alternate Thursdays, for periods of forty minutes each. We are hoping to outline a course in mechanical drawing in the immediate future and to fully prepare pupils for the State Normal examinations in drawing. The point of view may change somewhat in the teaching of drawing, in passing from the grades to the secondary school, but all work attempted in the latter school should be based on a thorough knowledge of the principles of drawing developed in the former. It is to be regretted that the teacher in this subject cannot meet the classes at least once each week. We ought, too, to have a room which is especially adapted to the needs of the drawing. At present, because the time of instruction is so limited, and because the teacher of drawing is obliged to use the main room, we are obliged to suspend, in a measure, our usual school work when drawing periods occur. This interruption would disappear if Miss Woodbury could meet the pupils for four instead of two periods on the days when she is present.

Instruction in music has been continued by Mr. George E. Crafts, of Milton. Mr. Crafts has been present on Wednesday afternoon during the first period, and has rendered uniformly efficient service. There is perhaps no other subject which so relieves the routine work of the school, so interests every pupil, and, considering the effort required,

adds so much to his equipment for life, as the work in elementary music. We have been using codas published by Ginn & Co., and by the Oliver Ditson Company. At the opening of the winter term the trustees purchased one hundred copies of the Academy Song Book, abridged edition, containing nearly all the best patriotic and national songs, school and college songs, familiar songs and songs of devotion. We have been using this book with a great deal of interest, and, beyond doubt, the volume will be of inestimable value in the future. The creation of a musical atmosphere in the home, in the community and in the State is no small or unimportant purpose. The boy or girl who can sing, with only average facility, has in store many an hour of happiness, both in his individual contribution to musical programmes and in his interpretation of the works of master musicians. A young man who can sing or play acceptably, has a universal passport to agreeable recognition wherever he may go. Randolph has shown more than its quota of musical talent in the past, and the pupils of her schools certainly merit every advantage which the town can afford to bestow upon them in their study of elementary school music.

The class of 1903, on the occasion of their graduation, presented to the school a large photograph representing the departure of the "Mayflower" from Plymouth. This fitting gift they purchased from Mr. Horace K. Turner, of Boston, at a cost of thirty dollars.

The school has received a very handsome reference table costing fifty dollars; this was purchased by the accumulations of a penny collection, supplemented by an appropriation by the trustees.

A beautiful Howard clock was bought by funds which have gradually accumulated from a small yearly surplus of the Turner Medal Fund; the clock cost forty-five dollars, and, besides being a very accurate timekeeper, is a most

acceptable ornament to our study room. It is inscribed :  
 "Presented from the Turner Medal Fund, 1903."

The Ladies' Library Association have given the school a copy of the Declaration of Independence, framed in wood taken from Faneuil Hall. This gift has proved to be a very pleasing addition to our wall decorations, and is especially valued because of the unique significance of its frame. In this connection, mention might be made of a gift by the Ladies' Relief Corps several years ago. They gave the school the valuable photo-carbon lithograph of Stuart's Washington, which has been so highly prized by the school.

Two members of the class which was graduated in June, 1903, have taken up a normal course. Both of them passed the examinations of the State Board at Bridgewater; one of these graduates decided to try the examinations of the Boston Normal school and was again successful. Another member of the same class has entered Dartmouth and was evidently able to take up his work at that college in a satisfactory manner; Prof. C. F. Emerson, the dean of Dartmouth, reports that he has been able to make the division of his class which ranks highest in mathematics, and that he is doing very good work in all the subjects which he is pursuing.

The school library ought to be greatly enriched by the addition of much needed books of reference from time to time. At least three hundred of the most essential volumes of this class are demanded by a good school library. Such a collection would include several of the current cyclopedias, all the best English dictionaries, reference books in English literature, in the modern languages, in science, in sacred literature, in history, and in art. These reference books are the only volumes which the public libraries cannot, under their present rules, lend for outside use, and they form the basis of a considerable portion of our work.

The proper use of a reference library, familiarity with the

indispensable aid it affords and the spirit of individual research, are fundamental in secondary schools. Unless the student accustoms himself, while in the fitting school, to the discipline of the best reference books, there is danger that he may never acquire facility in their use.

Why may not the town or city library lend to the school all the books needed for reference? This would necessitate the purchase of duplicate sets by the public library, since these particular books must be represented on its shelves. Would not such a field be a perfectly legitimate one for the library of any town? Would it not be certain to yield worthy results? Mr. Frank O. Carpenter, of the English High School, Boston, recently advocated this plan before the Massachusetts Library Club, claiming that only text books ought to be furnished by the school to its pupils, leaving the provision of all reference books to the public library.

If the Trustees of the Turner Public Library will permit the suggestion, we would like to suggest that the experiment be tried by them. Ten or twenty standard volumes of reference, if lent to the school as a trial of this plan, would, we are confident, prove a very profitable investment from an educational standpoint.

In conclusion, the teachers of the high school have only words of praise for the efficient manner in which their work is aided by the trustees and by the Superintendent of Schools. A very liberal policy has been followed in the matter of school supplies and all of our suggestions have been met in a very fair spirit, evidently with the intention of giving us every needed facility which could be reasonably granted. Especially do the teachers desire to record a word of cordial appreciation of the assistance given them, as in the past, by the Superintendent of Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. CHAPIN.

The exercises of the fifty-ninth annual commencement occurred on the evening of June 26, 1903.

The Turner medals were awarded to Miss Frances E. Reilly, the valedictorian, and Miss Alice B. Mahony, the salutatorian.

## GRADUATES.

June, 1903.

### STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

#### *Latin Course.*

Sarah Louise Campagna.	Marie Eliza McCue.
Josephine Martha Haney.	Frances Evelyn Reilly.
Alice Butler Mahoney.	Mary Cecilia Sutton.
Roland Ray Tileston.	

#### *English Course.*

Timothy Joseph Kelliher.

### NORTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Arthur Chester Baker.	Arthur Monroe Hayden.
Norman Fritz Baker.	Duncan Labaree Henderson.
Walter Henry Billingham.	Gladys Marion Jones.
Catherine Brady.	Alice Gertrude McCarthy.
Willie Brown.	James Francis McLeer.
Arthur Leroy Bustard.	Guy Ashley Poole.
Franklin Levi Coleman.	Marguerite Louise Purcell.
Bessie DeNeil.	Belva Wells Stetson.
Thomas Arthur Dee.	Elizabeth Madeleine Vye.

### PRESCOTT SCHOOL.

Harold L. Bailey.	William R. Long.
Bessie Brennan.	Albert R. Lynch.
Mary K. Burke.	Mary L. Marcille.
Arthur F. Burrell.	Margaret T. McCabe.



Norman F. Campbell.  
 Charles J. Dolan.  
 Anna M. Foley.  
 May Forrest.  
 George H. Heney.  
 Isabella G. Hogan.  
 Margaret Kelliher.  
 Henry C. Knight.  
 Mary J. Leahy.

Blanche Meaney.  
 Lena E. Morgan.  
 Mary F. Mulligan.  
 George S. H. Nolan.  
 Julia M. O'Keefe.  
 Marion C. Payne.  
 Alice J. Sullivan.  
 May E. Tynan.  
 E. Marguerite Wales.

### *REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.*

EAST MILTON, January 4, 1904.

DR. JOHN E. BRADLEY, *Superintendent of Schools* :

Dear Sir, — In making an annual report upon the teaching of drawing in the public schools, one naturally looks back over the twelve months past, in search of two things : first, the improvement in methods already in use ; second, new features that may have been introduced.

First in importance is the question of improvement. The best test would be to place the work of two or more successive years side by side. This we are unable to do at present, but as the results are carefully looked over from month to month, marked improvement can be seen in the thoroughness of the work.

In considering the second topic — new features — no radically new methods have been introduced, but here and there slight modifications have been made of those already in use — such as are necessary to retain the interest and vitality.

More cutting has been done in the lower grades, which helps wonderfully in training the little hands ; also more mechanical work in the upper grades.



The most vital question just now is what is the best thing for the high school work under the present conditions.

Since the pupils have had practically no drawing before entering the high school, it is a hard thing to give them such work as does not seem too elementary and too much like that done in the grades, and yet no advanced drawing can be done until the first principles are well established. My aim this year is to give them all that is possible in mechanical drawings — model drawing in charcoal and water color and applied design.

Drawing is now coming to be considered by both teachers and pupils as a regular study and in consequence is taught as thoroughly as other subjects. In this way the best results can be hoped for and in many cases have been realized. The good, steady, faithful work of the grade teachers is what has brought about the present hopeful conditions.

Very truly yours,

KATHARINE WOODBURY,  
*Supervisor of Drawing.*

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### *REPORT OF THE SPECIAL TEACHER OF TYPEWRITING AND STENOGRAPHY.*

Dr. JOHN E. BRADLEY, *Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir,—So great has been the enthusiasm shown in stenography and typewriting during the past four months by the pupils that it has been a great pleasure teaching these subjects.

Stenography is entirely different from the studies which form the ordinary high school curriculum, requiring much more thought than most subjects, but it has been grasped admirably; and if the good work which has been done in the

past be continued in the future, I feel sure it will be a great success.

The end toward which we are working is to fit pupils for office positions as stenographers. We are now taking up the simple principles, which lead on to more difficult ones, to be followed by business letters and various other forms of work done in offices.

I take this opportunity to thank you and Mr. Chapin for the interest so plainly manifested in the work, which will add greatly to its success.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET LOUISE POWERS,  
*Teacher of Stenography and Typewriting.*

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#### REPORTS OF THE TRUANT OFFICERS.

RANDOLPH, January 26, 1904.

Prof. JOHN E. BRADLEY, *Superintendent of Schools*:

Dear Sir,—During the year 1903 I have been called to investigate six cases of truancy, and in most of them have found that the fault was more of the parents than the child.

But, as a whole, I think there has been a marked improvement over former years, due in a great measure to a better understanding of the fact that those having children of school age under their charge are themselves accountable for the attendance of the child at school; also whoever harbors any child of school age during the time school is in session is liable.

Very truly yours,

NELSON MANN,  
*Truant Officer.*

RANDOLPH, January 1, 1904.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir,—During the year 1903 I have been called upon to investigate the cases of eleven scholars.

I have also visited every factory, and do not find any children employed without a schooling certificate.

Yours respectfully,

FRANK J. DONAHOE,

*Truant Officer.*

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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*To the Board of Selectmen :*

Gentlemen,—The following is submitted as the report of the Engineers of the Fire Department :

On May 1, 1903, the department was organized as follows :

### BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

C. A. Wales, *Chief*; D. J. Brennan, J. E. Blanche, J. W. Farrell, *Assistants*; W. A. Croak, *Assistant and Clerk*.

### APPARATUS AND COMPANIES.

Engine No. 1 : C. H. Nichols, *Driver*; J. H. Wales, *Engineer*, and F. J. Donahoe, *Fireman*.

Chemical Engine : J. C. Blanche, *Driver*.

Ladder Truck : Frank Harris, *Driver*.

Hose Wagon 1 : C. H. Nichols, *Driver*.

Hose Reel 1 : Joseph Riley, *Driver*.

Hose Co. 1 : M. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*, 12 men.

Hose Co. 2 : J. B. Clark, *Foreman*, 12 men.

Ladder Co. 1 : C. S. Dolan, *Foreman*, 12 men.

Chemical Co. 1 : J. F. Sullivan, *Foreman*, 12 men.

### FIRES.

January 20, 1903, alarm at 2.55 A.M., from Box 43 for fire in a small building on Main street, owned and occupied by H. M. Briggs as a store house; incendiary; all out 3.23 A.M.

January 20, alarm at 9.16 A.M., from Box 28 for fire in

- dwelling on Union street, owned and occupied by Daniel Elliot; burning soot in chimney; all out 9.58 A.M.
- January 31, alarm at 1.09 A.M., from Box 46 for fire in unoccupied dwelling on North Main street owned by Henry A. Blakeney and recently occupied by E. A. Blakeney; cause, incendiary; all out 1.55 A.M.
- April 13, alarm at 11.50 A.M., from Box 23 for fire in dwelling on Moulton street, owned by heirs of E. Moulton and occupied by Thomas Frizzell; children and matches; all out 12 M.
- April 26, alarm from Box 24 at 8.43 P.M., for fire in woodland on Highland avenue, near residence of Percy C. Crockett; all out 8.53.
- April 26, fire in woodland on the north side of Union street.
- May 1, alarm at 11.29 A.M., from Box 31 for fire in woodland and among wood cut and piled up on Mill street; all out 12.06 P.M.
- May 1, still alarm for fire in woodland near the tracks of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., south of the station at Randolph.
- May 2, Chief Wales was called to fire in woodland up South Main street. Same day Engineer Blanche was called to grass and woodland fire near the cemeteries on North street.
- May 12, Chief called to woodland fire on Union street.
- May 12, alarm at 5.55 P.M., from Box 31 for fire on roof of dwelling corner Cottage and Main streets, owned by heirs of Joshua Thayer and occupied by Sheehan and Wood; spark from chimney; all out 6.17 P.M.
- May 16, alarm at 12.46 A.M., from Box 31; false alarm; all out 12.57 A.M.
- May 16, alarm at 2.17 A.M., from Box 42; false alarm; the all out was pulled from 52 at 2.45 A.M., for the reason that the party pulling 42 pulled it out of gear.
- May 18, alarm at 10.39 A.M., from Box 54 for fire in loose

straw in rear of small barn on Cross street, owned and occupied by heirs of Daniel Lyons; all out 10.58 A.M.

July 4, alarm at 2.52 A.M., from Box 42 for fire in dwelling on West street, owned and partly occupied by Morris Kiley; incendiary; all out 3.35 A.M.

November 21, alarm at 4.29 P.M., from Box 31 for fire in dwelling on Cottage street, owned by St. Mary's Parish and occupied by Michael Kelly; defective chimney; all out 5.05 P.M.

December 2, alarm at 4.10 P.M., from Box 31 for fire in dwelling on Plain street, owned and occupied by Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan; overheated stove; all out 5.55 P.M.

December 15, alarm at 9.50 A.M., from Box 31 for fire in dwelling on North street, owned and occupied by Michael Collins; bed clothing in contact with hot stove; all out 10.20 A.M.

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### EXPENSES.

Paid 48 men \$12 each . . . . .	\$576 00
48 men, 289 hours at 50 cents per hour . . . . .	144 50
48 men, 96 hours at 25 cents per hour . . . . .	24 00
Board of Engineers, fire service . . . . .	28 00
Woodland fires . . . . .	55 48
Engineer of steamer . . . . .	20 00
Fireman of steamer . . . . .	15 00
C. H. Nichols, hauling apparatus . . . . .	400 00
C. H. Nichols, expressing teams . . . . .	17 00
J. E. Blanche, hauling chemical engine . . . . .	84 00
James Riley, hauling hose reel . . . . .	48 00
J. E. Blanche, care of chemical engine . . . . .	56 50
F. J. Donahoe, steward, care of fires, etc., . . . . .	90 75
W. M. Howard, steward, etc. . . . .	25 75
R. J. McAuliffe, steward, etc. . . . .	6 00
William O'Holloran, steward, etc. . . . .	11 50



Paid Lyons' Express . . . . .	\$1 00
Hartford Insurance & Inspection Co. . . . .	15 00
George A. Roel, labor . . . . .	75
James Gill, shoveling snow . . . . .	1 25
Edward Donahue, shoveling snow . . . . .	1 25
C. Doughty Estate, light service, 3 years . . . . .	33 42
C. Doughty Estate, steam for alarm whistle from May 1, 1902, to January 1, 1903 . . . . .	37 50
W. E. Decrow, fire alarm supplies . . . . .	58 80
B. F. Hayden, coal . . . . .	9 00
D. B. White, coal . . . . .	61 76
B. F. Hayden, use of pung . . . . .	5 00
C. Callahan & Co., repairs of hose, sup- plies, etc. . . . .	173 11
R. J. McAuliffe, labor and supplies . . . . .	6 75
Arthur W. Alden, janitor . . . . .	6 00
H. L. Averill, care of fire alarm . . . . .	96 64
F. W. Hayden, hoes, rakes, etc. . . . .	2 20
Valvoline Oil Co., supplies . . . . .	1 00
James Riley, rent of land . . . . .	15 00
J. White Belcher, insurance . . . . .	17 04
James Fardy, labor and material . . . . .	6 40
W. A. Croak, labor and material . . . . .	24 65
American Locomotive Works, repairs . . . . .	19 00
Combination Ladder Co., gong for chemical, . . . . .	18 00
Fred Pinkham, care of alarms, October 18, to January . . . . .	20 22
Fred Pinkham, labor . . . . .	1 00
E. M. Mann, wood . . . . .	4 00
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., tubing for alarm, . . . . .	7 00
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . . . .	4 87
Ellen Grady, rent of land . . . . .	10 00
Eugene Thayer, supplies . . . . .	5 05

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\$2,265 14

Total expended	.	.	.	\$2,265 14
Appropriations	.	.	.	2,261 00
Overdrawn	.	.	.	<u>\$4 14</u>

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#### APPARATUS AND HOSE.

The equipment of the department consists of the same pieces of apparatus as last year, namely: one hose wagon, one hose reel (horse), one reel (hand), one ladder truck, one chemical engine, 1 steamer, and about 2,500 feet of hose, with extra ladders in chemical engine house and house of Hose 2.

So far as known, the above apparatus is in good condition except the steamer, which at a recent inspection showed that in a service of over twenty-four years it had begun to show the result of such service, it was found that the flue sheet was worn so that it did not stand the test of the inspector's hammer.

We have had the steamer examined by experts to ascertain the proper course to pursue in the necessary repairs to place the steamer in good condition for future use.

They tell us that to simply put in a new flue sheet or smoke pipe and make such needed repairs as must be made in connection therewith, including freights to repair shop or factory, would be about \$300.00. They do not recommend this for the reason that, the engine having been in service over twenty-four years, some other part of the boiler is liable to give out; therefore, in the interest of economy, they believe it will be better for the town to put the engine in good condition for service in the first place by putting in a new boiler; the expense in this case would be between \$1,050 and \$1,100; the boiler would be \$950, with other work

that will have to be done (as in either case the engine will have to be taken apart), including freight to and from the factory, will bring the total expense as stated above. We have considered the matter in the light of necessity and economy, and therefore we do herewith recommend a new boiler, etc. We would say, further, that when the fact is taken into consideration that a steam fire engine of the same make and class (2d class) of our steamer will cost, new, at the present time \$5,000, and that the town received from sale of a steamer two years ago \$900, that the matter would resolve itself into one of two questions: Does the town need a steamer, or not. We would say most emphatically that the town does need a steamer as a part of its fire equipment.

#### HOUSES.

The windows in all the houses have received some repairs, in the matter of replacing glass that was broken and replacing putty where it was off. The sash, for their protection, should be painted; in fact, the buildings are very much in need of paint.

#### FIRE ALARM.

The fire alarm is in good condition; we have procured wooden tubing to protect the trees where the wire comes in contact with them. There has been one or two instances where there was a little hitch in the machinery, so that we did not get a prompt alarm. At present everything seems to be running smoothly.

We would recommend the following:

Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	\$1,100 00
Pay of 48 men, \$12 each . . . . .	576 00
Hour service . . . . .	275 00
Woodland fires . . . . .	100 00
Fire alarm . . . . .	175 00

Engineer of steamer	.	.	.	.	.	\$20 00
Fireman of steamer	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
Repairs of steamer .	.	.	.	.	.	1,100 00
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						\$3,361 00

C. A. WALES,  
D. J. BRENNAN,  
J. E. BLANCHE,  
J. W. FARRELL,  
W. A. CROAK,  
*Engineers.*

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

WATER COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1903.

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## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

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*To the Citizens of Randolph:*

The Water Commissioners respectfully submit their eighteenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1903. The condition of the pumping station will appear from the report of the engineer, Edward J. T. Dexter, and the state of the sinking fund, outstanding bonds and notes, balances, etc., will be shown in the report of the Treasurer, Joseph T. Leahy.

The station, mains, standpipes, hydrants and everything connected with the system, except the old boiler, is in good condition, and this must be replaced with a new one within a short time.

The Oak Street extension, from Main Street to the cemetery, was completed in September, at a large expense, as pipe was very high and the digging hard. This work was in charge of the late Mr. James F. Sullivan, whose death, December 2, we are pained to record. He was a faithful, upright and honest worker in the interests of the department, and his loss has and will be deeply felt.

We are pleased to report the final settlement of the J. T. Langford suit, which has been pending for many years. He at last having accepted the award of the auditors, with interest at 6 per cent per annum, from the time of the award, through his attorney, John W. Corcoran.

Orders were drawn on the Treasurer amounting to \$14,-



274.96, not including the amount appropriated for sinking fund, as follows :

On account of: Joint maintenance . . .	\$2,690 85
Randolph maintenance . . .	6,255 86
Randolph construction, service	
pipe . . . . .	447 00
Oak Street Extension . . .	1,619 54
J. T. Langford suit . . .	3,261 71
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	\$14,274 96

## EXPENDITURES.

### JOINT WORKS MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid R. F. Forrest, labor . . .	\$360 22
Chadwick Boston Lead Co. . .	1 70
Knowles Steam Pump Co. . .	2 08
Eagle Oil Supply Co., supplies, . . .	130 74
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . .	31 01
Underhay Oil Co., oil . . .	33 29
Morton Holbrook, labor . . .	1 75
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies . . .	21 36
Lyons Express . . . . .	8 89
Randolph Clothing Co., boots . . .	5 00
Robert Hamilton, labor . . .	21 63
William Mahady, labor . . .	1 75
Mrs. Rufus Mann, cleaning . . .	2 00
D. B. White, coal . . . . .	1,284 34
James Fardy, smithing . . .	5 50
Joseph T. Leahy, insurance . . .	75 00
Fred M. French, insurance . . .	75 00
Eben Holbrook, labor . . .	6 00
Charles H. Cole, labor . . .	5 00

New York, New Haven & Hart-		
ford R. R., freight . . .	\$0	77
Edson Mfg. Co., supplies . .	1	90
George F. Blake Mfg. Co., supplies,	5	04
E. W. Campagna, repairs . .	41	80
E. J. Meighan, labor . . .	6	00
J. White Belcher, insurance . .	75	00
Wollaston Foundry Co., supplies,	22	55
New England Tel. and Tel. Co.,	33	01
William Crossley, stationery . .	50	
Charles H. Nichols, expressing,	16	55
Chapman Valve Co., supplies . .	7	18
T. B. Kelley, painting . . .	2	50
M. E. Leahy, coal . . . .	304	09
John Dunn, labor . . . .	50	50
Thomas Duff, labor . . . .	2	00
John Kelliher, labor . . . .	2	00
George F. Taylor, repairs . .	12	30
Henry Campbell, painting . .	20	00
Edwin M. Mann, wood . . . .	2	75
Eugene Thayer, supplies . . .	7	18
Charles D. Hill, supplies . . .	4	97
	<hr/>	\$2,690 85

*Paid by Holbrook.*

Paid E. J. T. Dexter, salary . .	\$1,100	00
E. J. T. Dexter, supplies . . .	65	
Walworth Manufact'ng Co., vise		
and drill . . . . .	7	48
John Underhay, insurance . .	75	00
John W. Porter, coal . . . .	160	38
C. H. McCarter, teams and labor,	24	55
Frank G. Morse, supplies . . .	6	15
M. E. Leahy, coal . . . . .	606	64

Paid W. O. Crooker, team . . .	\$1 00	
George T. Wilde, supplies . . .	12 86	
	<hr/>	\$1,994 71
Total paid on joint account . . .		\$4,685 56
One-half paid by each town . . .		2,342 78
Paid by Holbrook, sundry bills as above . .	\$1,994 71	
by Holbrook, balance joint account . .	348 07	
	<hr/>	\$2,342 78

## RANDOLPH CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

### SERVICE PIPE.

Paid Charles Lawless, labor . . . .	\$6 00
Edward Meighan, labor . . . .	23 88
Eben Holbrook, labor . . . .	9 88
Morton Holbrook, labor . . . .	8 12
James B. McDonald, labor . . . .	4 50
Sumner Goodwin Co., supplies . . .	88 82
Brockton Water Works, pipe . . .	88 48
John P. Rooney, labor . . . .	8 88
Charles H. Nichols, use of horse . .	37 10
Michael Crowley, labor . . . .	7 50
William Johnson, labor . . . .	2 00
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies . . .	12 72
John Harris, labor . . . .	13 50
John Kelliher, labor . . . .	14 50
Francis Sullivan, labor . . . .	28 00
John McGrane, labor . . . .	3 00
Thomas Duff, labor . . . .	19 00
William C. Barry, labor . . . .	13 00
James F. Sullivan, labor . . . .	30 00

Paid John Dunn, labor . . . . .	\$16 00
Holbrook Water Works, pipe . . . . .	12 12
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	\$447 00

## OAK STREET EXTENSION.

Paid M. J. Drummond, pipe . . . . .	\$598 83
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., freight . . . . .	86 68
M. E. Leahy, labor and wood . . . . .	13 25
Oriental Powder Co., dynamite . . . . .	9 70
Chadwick Boston Lead Co., lead . . . . .	73 75
D. Henderson, blacksmithing . . . . .	9 80
Chapman Valve Co., hydrants and valves . . . . .	72 36
James Fardy, blacksmithing . . . . .	3 00
George F. Taylor, lumber . . . . .	11 27
William D. Hatchfield, blacksmithing . . . . .	4 85
Frank H. Langley, blacksmithing . . . . .	2 25
Eagle Oil Supply Co., jute . . . . .	6 30
Edwin M. Mann, plank . . . . .	1 00
Charles Nichols, team . . . . .	38 00
John Harris, labor . . . . .	37 00
Francis Sullivan, labor . . . . .	39 00
John Purcell, labor . . . . .	50 75
John McGrane, labor . . . . .	41 50
Terrance Hagney, labor . . . . .	29 00
Thomas Donahoe, labor . . . . .	28 00
Michael Crowley, labor . . . . .	35 25
Thomas Kiley, labor . . . . .	40 50
Patrick Whalin, labor . . . . .	16 50
John Meaney, labor . . . . .	21 50
Michael Halpin, labor . . . . .	28 00
John Kelliher, labor . . . . .	41 50
George F. French, labor . . . . .	29 00
William Dore, labor . . . . .	25 00

Paid Thomas Duff, labor . . . .	\$28 00
Nicholas Linnehan, labor . . . .	2 00
Ebenezer Holbrook, labor . . . .	35 50
Michael O'Connell, labor . . . .	29 50
James Lyons, labor . . . .	13 50
James F. Sullivan, labor . . . .	55 00
John Lang, labor . . . .	22 00
John Dunn, labor . . . .	10 50
Robert Hamilton, labor . . . .	8 00
John Conroy, labor . . . .	6 00
Michael Lagan, labor . . . .	9 00
Philip Hand, labor . . . .	1 50
William Johnson, labor . . . .	3 50
James Hoye, labor . . . .	2 00
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	\$1,619 54

#### RANDOLPH MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Paid interest on water loan . . . .	\$5,320 00
R. F. Forrest, labor . . . .	244 01
Robert Hamilton, labor . . . .	4 00
Edward Meighan, labor . . . .	2 00
Lyons Express . . . .	17 32
James B. McDonald, balance salary 1902 .	20 00
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., box rent,	10 00
Arthur W. Alden, care of room . . . .	6 00
William Johnson, labor . . . .	63
John Dunn, labor . . . .	2 00
Morton Holbrook, labor . . . .	2 00
M. Wales Baker, stamped envelopes . .	5 70
Brockton Water Works, pipe, etc. . . .	11 27
Frank Bacigalupo, labor . . . .	1 00
National Meter Co. . . .	64 70

Paid William J. Hogan, labor . . . .	\$0 75
Thomas B. Kelley, painting . . . .	19 11
Arthur W. Alden, stamped envelopes . .	5 70
Daniel H. Huxford, printing . . . .	25 50
Hersey Manufacturing Co. . . . .	92
James Fardy, labor . . . . .	6 47
C. Callahan Co. . . . .	9 00
Charles Nichols, use of horse . . . .	33 55
C. Fred Lyons, supplies . . . . .	2 20
C. D. Hill, supplies . . . . .	1 20
Joseph T. Leahy, cash paid . . . .	15 00
Daniel B. White, services . . . . .	150 00
James B. McDonald, services . . . .	125 00
Estate of James F. Sullivan, services .	146 75
F. W. Hayden, supplies . . . . .	2 08
James B. McDonald, supplies . . . .	2 00
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	\$6,255 86

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#### J. T. LANGFORD SUIT.

Paid John W. Corcoran, attorney . . . .	\$3,261 71
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#### RECEIPTS FOR WATER.

Cash for Water rates fixed . . . . .	\$5,848 37
Meter rates and rentals . . . . .	1,820 20
Service pipe and labor . . . . .	225 76
Labor and fixtures . . . . .	104 25
Dynamite caps and fuse . . . . .	11 43
Use of pump . . . . .	1 50
Cash from Holbrook for supplies . . . .	8 89
Cash from Holbrook, balance of joint account .	348 07
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	\$8,368 4 7



Cash paid Treasurer . . . . . \$8,368 47

There is due the town from sundry persons for water to December 31, 1903, as follows :

Fixed rates . . . . .	\$415 50
Meter rates . . . . .	243 87
From Fred E. Ellis, contractor on State road .	50 58
Service pipe . . . . .	16 63

The Commissioners recommend appropriations for the ensuing year as follows :

For contributions to the sinking fund . . .	\$2,700 00
For water for hydrants and public use . . .	2,000 00

DANIEL B. WHITE,  
JAS. B. McDONALD,  
*Water Commissioners.*

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RANDOLPH, Mass., February 8, 1904.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn on the Treasurer.

M. F. CUNNINGHAM,  
JEREMIAH J. DESMOND,  
JOHN B. WREN,  
*Auditors.*

*To the Water Commissioners of Randolph:*

Gentlemen,—I submit to you my 16th annual report as engineer of the pumping station. The plant, with the exception of the old boiler and a few minor repairs needed on the masonry in the furnaces, is in excellent condition after a continual service of sixteen years.

The Blake pump was thoroughly overhauled last Winter, and has done most of the work the past summer. The only thing of which we are in actual need the coming year is a new boiler feed pump, which can be secured for a small sum.

The shores of the pond have received the usual attention this year; also the pipe line. Following is the usual table:

DATE.	Water pumped, gallons.	Daily average.	Coal burned, pounds.	Daily average.
January . . .	4,349,452	140,305	42,276	1,363
February . . .	4,666,172	166,648	37,334	1,333
March . . .	6,060,643	195,577	46,828	1,517
April . . .	7,068,412	235,613	42,571	1,417
May . . .	9,797,332	316,043	57,578	1,858
June . . .	8,557,262	285,242	51,630	1,721
July . . .	9,835,553	318,243	55,745	1,797
August . . .	8,711,087	281,003	55,216	1,781
September . . .	8,174,788	272,493	54,584	1,819
October . . .	6,218,660	200,602	42,259	1,363
November . . .	5,867,092	195,569	45,440	1,518
December . . .	5,806,539	187,308	47,157	1,521
Totals . . .	85,112,992	233,189	578,618	1,585

Largest day's pumping, June 4, 602,308 gallons.

Largest week's pumping, ending June 7, 3,136,644 gallons.

E. J. T. DEXTER,  
*Engineer.*

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your

steam boiler inspected on the seventeenth day of December, 1903, by Inspector A. D. Evans.

*One H. T. Boiler No. 2.*

Internally.—The surfaces of the shell plates, heads and tubes are practically clean. On the lower part of the first course sheet close to the hand holes the plates show deterioration from former corrosion in the form of pitting. No defects were noted of the laps or flanges. The water connections are clear and the fusible plug is intact.

Externally.—The patch on the second course sheet, also that on the first course sheet, show no distress or leakage. The old fractures of plate at the first patch shows no further distress. Seams, flanges and tube ends show no distress or leakage. Safety-valves and appliances are in working order, and the pressure gauge is correct. We renew the recommendations made in a previous report in regard to the replacing of this boiler.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS,

*Manager.*

Boston, Mass., December 19, 1903.

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The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company make the following report of the condition of your steam boiler inspected on the twenty-fifth day of January, 1904, by Inspector W. H. Preston.

*One H. T. Boiler No. 1.*

Internally.—The shell plates, tubes and heads are in good condition and practically clean, being free from any scale or deposit. The laps and flanges are intact, and all braces are sound and in place. The openings to outside connections are clean, and the fusible plug is in good condition.

Externally.—The shell plates and heads are free from any

indications of fractures or blisters. The seams and tube ends show no signs of leaks. The boiler appliances are in good working order. Brick work of setting is in good condition.

Yours respectfully,

C. E. ROBERTS,

*Manager.*

Boston, Mass., February 2, 1904.

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### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following regulations, until further notice, shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses water :

1. All applications for the use of water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, and state fully the purposes for which it is intended to be used. Water will not be introduced into any building or premises except on the written application of the owner thereof, or by a duly authorized agent. The property will in all cases be held responsible for the water rates.

2. All persons taking water must keep their water pipes and fixtures in good repair and protected from the frost at their own expense. They will be held liable for all damages resulting from their failure to do so. They shall prevent all unnecessary waste, and water shall not be left running to prevent freezing. The Water Commissioners or their agent may, from time to time, ascertain the quantity of water used, the manner of its use, and whether there is any unnecessary waste. They and their agents shall have free access to the premises supplied, to examine the apparatus, and if any fixtures are found not to be in good order, they shall direct them repaired, and if not repaired within two days the water shall be shut off and not let on again until such repairs are

made, and the sum of two dollars paid for shutting off and turning on the water.

3. The occupant of any premises, when unnecessary waste of water occurs, shall be liable to a fine of two dollars for the first offence, and four dollars for the second offence during the same year, and shall be notified thereof in writing; and if such waste is not prevented and the fine aforesaid paid within two days from the time when the said notice is given, the water shall be shut off from the premises, and shall not be again let on for the same occupant until the waste be stopped and the fine paid, together with an additional sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water; and in case of a third or subsequent offence the water shall be shut off, and shall not again be let on except by a vote of the Water Commissioners and the payment of such fine, not exceeding ten dollars, as the Water Commissioners may impose.

4. Any person supplied with water shall not allow another to take water from their fixtures without the written permission of the Water Commissioners. If any tenant, having no fixtures, has any use of such fixtures, full rates will be charged for such use by each tenant.

5. All parties using water in stables, for horses or other animals, will be charged schedule rates for the same, whether it be carried by hand or through hose.

6. All persons using water for building purposes are required to obtain a permit from the Water Commissioners before taking water from any faucet or fixture connected with the water works, and all water takers are warned not to let any party take water from their premises until they show a permit from the Water Commissioners. Any person furnishing water in violation of this section will be subject to a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and if the same when levied is not paid within three days



from the time when the notice thereof is given, the water will be shut off from the premises, and will not be let on again until such fine is paid.

7. All fixtures and water closets and urinals must be of a kind and quality approved by the Water Commissioners.

8. No person shall in any case be allowed to open any fire hydrants except by a written permit from the Water Commissioners; but the Engineers of the Fire Department shall in all cases have control of hydrants at fires and for practice.

9. The Commissioners reserve the right to restrict the use of hose or fountain, to shut off the water in all cases when it becomes necessary to make extensions or repairs, or for violation of any of the regulations, or whenever they deem it expedient.

10. The regular rates for the use of water shall be payable in advance on the first days of January and July of each year, except where water is supplied to manufacturers by special agreement. In all cases of non-payment of the water rates within ten days after the same is due, as well as for any violation of these rules and regulations, the supply will be shut off, and the water will not again be let on except upon the payment of the amount due, and the sum of two dollars for shutting off and letting on the water.

11. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to change the water rates at any time, except in case of dwelling-houses and established special rates.

12. For business requiring large quantities of water, and all supplies not enumerated in the tariff of rates, special rates will be made.

13. Parties using water for manufacturing or domestic purposes can erect hydrants on their grounds or standpipes in their building to be used only as protection against fire, without additional charge for water.

14. All service pipes will be put in by the Water Com-



missioners. All applicants for the introduction of service pipes into their premises are required to make written application therefor at the office of the Water Commissioners. The Commissioners may then proceed to lay the necessary service pipes to the interior of the building, provided all expenses incurred beyond the line of the street shall be paid by the owner of the premises, who shall thereafter maintain and keep the same in good order at his own cost; and the same shall be at all times subject to the control of the Commissioners. All applicants for whom the pipe is laid will be charged for the use of one faucet whether the water is used or not, unless they pay all expense that has been incurred in laying such service pipe, and in no case will the main be tapped more than once for the same premises, unless the additional expense is borne by the owner.

The following water rates are established until further notice :

No connection made with the main pipe for any purpose for less than . . . . .	\$6 00
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#### DWELLING-HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for the first faucet . . . . .	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family, . . . . .	2 00
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family . . . . .	5 00
One faucet for each family . . . . .	6 00
For first bathtub . . . . .	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family . . . . .	4 00
Each additional bathtub . . . . .	2 00
For first pan or self-acting water closet . . . . .	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family . . . . .	4 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet . . . . .	2 00

In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than . . . . .	\$20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	
Laundry tub . . . . .	3 00

## BOARDING-HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet . . . . .	\$10 00
Each additional faucet . . . . .	3 00
First bathtub . . . . .	10 00
Each additional bathtub . . . . .	3 00
First pan or self-acting water closet . . . . .	10 00
Each additional pan or self-acting water closet . . . . .	3 00

## PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse . . . . .	\$5 00
Each additional horse . . . . .	3 00
Each cow or ox . . . . .	1 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS, AND BOARDING STABLES.

For the first four horses . . . . .	\$12 00
From five to twelve horses, each . . . . .	2 00

The above prices include water for washing carriages.

*Offices, Stores, Markets, Barber Shops and Restaurants*—When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling-houses.

*Building Purposes*—Each cask of lime or cement, 05

## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch nozzle, to be used only on

premises and street opposite, not exceeding  
two hours per day for six months in the year, \$5 00  
For any use not herein enumerated, special rates  
will be made.

## METER RATES.

For not over 1,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons . . . . .	\$0 30
For over 1,000 gallons and not exceeding 2,000 gallons average per day, per 1,000 gallons .	25
For over 2,000 gallons per day, per 1,000 gallons,	20

Provided that in no case where a meter is used shall the  
annual charge be less than \$8.

Meters will be supplied by the Water Commissioners, for  
which an annual rental will be charged as follows :

Size  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch, \$2 per year.

Size  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch, \$2 per year.

All needed repairs, damages by frost excepted, will be  
made at the expense of the town.

DANIEL B. WHITE,  
JAMES B. McDONALD,  
*Water Commissioners.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH  
RANDOLPH WATER WORKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1902 . . . . .	\$135 54
Received town appropriation for hydrants . . . . .	2,000 00
Received interest on deposits . . . . .	6 03
Received for two bonds (issue of 1896) . . . . .	2,024 44
Received for \$3,000, 20 year note . . . . .	3,150 90
Received water rates for the year 1903 . . . . .	8,368 47
	<u>\$15,685 38</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders of Water Commissioners, including interest on water bonds . . . . .	14,274 96
Balance on hand December 31, 1903 . . . . .	<u>\$1,410 42</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY MONTHS.

MONTH.	Receipts.	Payments.	Balance.
December, 1902 . . . . .			\$135 54
January, 1903 . . . . .	\$1,148 00	\$480 00	803 54
February . . . . .	454 96		1,258 50
March . . . . .	1,181 72	241 11	2,199 11
April . . . . .	526 46	2,098 36	627 21
May . . . . .	196 22	404 13	419 30
June . . . . .	530 30		949 60
July . . . . .	2,137 81	2,052 89	1,034 52
August . . . . .	2,363 48	229 64	3,168 36
September . . . . .	1,199 98	1,445 93	2,922 41
October . . . . .	211 24	1,684 65	1,449 00
November . . . . .	3,337 47	896 59	3,889 88
December . . . . .	2,262 20	4,741 66	1,410 42
Totals . . . . .	15,549 84	14,274 96	1,410 42

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 8, 1904.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have this day examined the accounts of Joseph T. Leahy, Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, and find the same correct and the balance as stated above.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM,  
JOHN B. WREN,  
JEREMIAH J. DESMOND,

*Auditors.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, *in account with* RANDOLPH  
WATER LOAN SINKING FUND.

## DR.

Balance on hand December 31, 1902 . . .	\$2,186 22	
Received town appropriation . . . . .	2,500 00	
Received for town note, fire alarm . . . . .	500 00	
Received for town note, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	2,000 00	
Received for town note, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	3,000 00	
Received interest :		
On 22 bonds, \$1,000 each, at 4 per cent . . . . .	880 00	
\$15,000 town note, one year, at 4 per cent . . . . .	600 00	
\$2,000 town note, 9 months, at 4 per cent . . . . .	60 00	
\$3,000 town note, 7 months 25 days, at 4.75 per cent . . . . .	93 02	
\$1,000 town note, fire alarm . . . . .	40 00	
\$3,000 O. C. R. R. bond, one year . . . . .	120 00	
On deposits in Savings Banks :		
Abington . . . . .	\$13 77	
Quincy . . . . .	58 82	
North Easton . . . . .	58 82	
Brockton . . . . .	11 15	
Randolph . . . . .	27 62	
	<hr/>	170 18
On deposit in Massachusetts Trust Co. . . . .		27
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		\$12,149 69

## CR.

Paid for town note, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	\$2,000 00
Paid for town note, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	3,000 00
Paid for three bonds, \$1,000 each, Hannibal and St. Joseph Ry. Co. . . . .	3,438 50

Paid for three bonds, \$1,000 each, Gloucester, Essex & Beverly St. Ry. Co. . . . .	\$3,330 42
Deposited in Savings Banks . . . . .	170 18
Balance deposited in Massachusetts Trust Co.,	210 59
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	\$12,149 69

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF THE WATER ACCOUNT,  
DECEMBER 31, 1903.

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds outstanding, amount due :

April 1, 1907 . . . . .	\$20,000 00
April 1, 1912 . . . . .	20,000 00
May 1, 1917 . . . . .	40,000 00
May 1, 1918 . . . . .	20,000 00
July 1, 1922 . . . . .	25,000 00
July 1, 1926 . . . . .	10,000 00
Note issued on water account . . . . .	3,000 00
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	\$138,000 00

Interest due on above, Dec. 31, 1903

(estimated) . . . . .	1,520 00
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\$139,520 00

ASSETS.

Amount in sinking fund . . . . .	\$51,158 62
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . . . .	1,410 42
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	52,569 03
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Net water debt, Dec. 31, 1903 . . . . .	\$86,950 96
Net water debt, Dec. 31, 1902 . . . . .	86,970 39
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Decrease of water debt in 1903 . . . . .	\$19 43



STATE OF THE RANDOLPH WATER LOAN  
SINKING FUND DECEMBER 31, 1903.

One Old Colony R. R. bond . . . .	\$3,000 00
Twenty-two Town of Randolph bonds . .	22,000 00
One Town of Randolph note . . . .	500 00
One Town of Randolph note . . . .	15,000 00
Three Hannibal and St. Joseph R. R. bonds .	3,000 00
Three Gloucester, Essex & Beverly St. R. R. bonds . . . . .	3,000 00
On deposit in Abington Savings Bank . .	378 06
North Easton Savings Bank . .	1,515 48
Quincy Savings Bank . .	1,515 48
Brockton Savings Bank . .	327 26
Randolph Savings Bank . .	711 75
Massachusetts Trust Co. . .	210 59
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	\$51,158 62

RANDOLPH, Mass., February 9, 1903.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, have examined the Sinking Fund and find it to agree with the statement above made.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM,  
JEREMIAH J. DESMOND,  
JOHN B. WREN,  
*Auditors.*

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

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The year 1903, from a financial standpoint, has been a prosperous one for the town, the debt being reduced about \$4,600.

For the first time in fourteen years the item of outstanding taxes shows a decrease from the corresponding amount in the preceding year, which is certainly to be commended.

In the Water Department the gross debt was increased by the issue of two bonds of \$1,000 each to defray the expense of extending the main on Oak street and by the issue of a twenty year note of \$3,000 in settlement of the suit of John T. Langford which had been pending since 1887. This increase in the gross debt has been offset by the usual town appropriation of \$2,500, and the accrued interest on securities in the Sinking Fund, making an actual decrease in the *net* water debt of less than twenty dollars.

The issuing of the \$5,000 above mentioned will necessitate an increase of the amount to be annually contributed to the Sinking Fund.

The usual tables follow.

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### INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

Paid on account of street loans :

\$5,040, six months, 4 per cent.	.	\$100 80	
\$4,410, six months, 4 per cent.	.	88 20	
\$5,950, one year, 4 per cent.	.	238 00	
\$3,000, one year, 4 per cent.	.	120 00	
		<hr/>	\$547 00

## Paid on notes in anticipation of taxes :

\$10,000, 7 months, 10 days at 4.54,	\$277 44	
\$10,000, one year at 4.73 . . .	473 00	
\$10,000, 1 year at 4.69, rebate \$2.60,	466 40	
\$5,000, 6 months, 24 days at 4.21,		
rebate \$3.51 . . . . .	115 77	
\$3,000, 7 months, 25 days at 4.75 .	93 02	
\$2,000, 9 months at 4 per cent. .	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,485 63

## Paid on all other notes :

Coddington Fund, \$1,600, 1 year at		
4 per cent. . . . .	\$64 00	
Highway Plant, \$3,000, 1 year at 4		
per cent. . . . .	120 00	
Fire Alarm, \$1,000, 1 year at 4 per		
cent. . . . .	40 00	
Renewals, \$35,000, 1 year at 4 per		
cent. . . . .	1,400 00	
	<hr/>	1,624 00
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		\$3,656 63

## CR.

By interest on taxes . . . . .	\$2,441 95	
By interest on deposits . . . . .	66 38	
By town appropriation . . . . .	2,350 00	
	<hr/>	4,858 33
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Unexpended . . . . .		\$1,201 70

## JOSEPH T. LEAHY, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH

## RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1902 . . . . .	\$148 67
Borrowed on town notes :	
January 26 . . . . .	\$2,000 00
March 5 . . . . .	10,000 00
April 7 . . . . .	10,000 00
April 21 . . . . .	10,000 00
April 21 . . . . .	3,000 00
May 27 . . . . .	5,000 00
	<hr/> 40,000 00
Received on account of taxes : Of 1897, additional . . . . .	\$2 50
Of 1901 . . . . .	9,500 00
Of 1902 . . . . .	10,050 00
Of 1903, regular . . . . .	25,100 00
Of 1903, excise . . . . .	964 00
	<hr/> 45,616 50
Received from Selectmen for sundry accounts . . . . .	500 81
Received from State Treasurer :	
Corporation tax, 1902 . . . . .	\$17 79
Corporation tax, 1903, in part . . . . .	4,423 35
National bank tax, 1903 . . . . .	2,019 81
Military aid, 1902 . . . . .	231 00
State aid, 1902 . . . . .	2,976 00
Burial indigent soldiers, 1902 . . . . .	105 00
Street railway tax, 1903 . . . . .	1,520 41
On pauper account, 1903 . . . . .	18 40
Inspector of animals . . . . .	50 00
	<hr/> 11,361 76
Received from other towns, pauper account :	
Canton, 1902 and 1903 . . . . .	\$337 91
Concord . . . . .	51 19
Quincy . . . . .	13 00
Weymouth . . . . .	78 00
Brockton . . . . .	73 00
Boston . . . . .	37 53
Avon . . . . .	762 38
Westboro . . . . .	66 50
Holbrook . . . . .	343 05
Stoughton . . . . .	34 70
Abington . . . . .	150 93
	<hr/> 1,948 19

## THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders of Selectmen . . . . .	\$59,392 10
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## Paid town notes :

April 8, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	\$10,000 00
April 23, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	10,000 00
June 1, refunding street loan . . . . .	630 00
August 1, refunding street loan . . . . .	850 00
September 13, highway plant . . . . .	500 00
October 15, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	10,000 00
October 26, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	2,000 00
October 26, fire alarm . . . . .	500 00
December 15, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	5,000 00
December 15, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	3,000 00
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	42,480 00
Balance in hands of Treasurer December 31, 1903 . . . . .	3,616 14
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	\$105,488 24

Received interest : On taxes . . . . .	\$2,441 95	
On deposit . . . . .	66 38	
	<hr/>	\$2,508 33
Received on account of School Committee :		
tuition . . . . .	\$41 00	
Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	500 00	
State Board of Charity . . . . .	123 00	
dog licenses . . . . .	478 84	
Massachusetts school fund . . . . .	622 39	
interest Coddington Fund . . . . .	64 00	
	<hr/>	1,829 23
Received from sundry sources :		
for aid refunded 1902 account . . . . .	\$146 50	
from Old Colony St. Ry. Co., 1902 and 1903,		
use of steam roller, etc. . . . .	1,236 38	
from court fees . . . . .	177 02	
for sale of ink, voting lists and sundries . . . . .	2 85	
	<hr/>	1,562 75
Received for licenses of various kinds . . . . .		12 00
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		\$105,488 24



# CONDENSED MONTHLY STATEMENTS.

MONTHS.	RECEIPTS.						EXPENDITURES.		BALANCE.
	Taxes.	Select-men sundry accounts.	Money borrowed on town notes.	Interest.	Other towns, pauper account.	State Treasurer.	All other sources.	Orders of Selectmen.	
December, 1902,									
January, 1903 .	\$1,000 00		\$2,000 00	\$3 95	\$186 66		\$821 86	\$826 64	\$148 67
February . . .	1,100 00		10,000 00	1 21	215 19			2,647 56	1,508 69
March . . . .	1,800 00		23,000 00	50 00	273 28	\$17 79		9,152 34	902 13
April . . . .	1,950 00		5,000 00	50 00				4,678 60	3,142 07
May . . . . .	3,000 00			50 00				4,691 69	3,411 95
June . . . . .	4,100 00	100 13		16 72		18 40		5,881 62	5,724 41
July . . . . .	4,700 00	36 98		604 05			541 00	3,720 02	2,348 04
August . . . .	3,900 00			2 26			70	2,984 76	3,910 05
September . .	18,200 00	44 91		1,206 08		50 00	127 00	3,359 05	4,778 25
October . . . .	3,664 00	152 50		7 40	66 50		56 44	5,204 14	6,202 28
November . . .	2,202 50	166 29		566 66	1,206 56	11,275 57	64 00	6,337 12	9,299 49
December . . .							1,690 35	9,908 56	4,416 77
Totals, 1903 .	\$45,616 50	\$500 81	\$40,000 00	\$2,508 33	\$1,948 19	\$11,361 76	\$3,403 98	\$59,392 10	\$3,616 14
Totals, 1902 .	40,574 70	923 05	38,000 00	845 77	1,597 74	11,277 16	2,763 53	60,735 32	148 67
Totals, 1901 .	42,597 61	925 13	39,000 00	1,340 10	1,131 63	11,491 07	3,861 97	56,388 01	5,382 04
Totals, 1900 .	40,411 75	935 26	59,300 00	1,118 00	397 33	10,840 24	918 71	55,104 47	5,902 54
Totals, 1899 .	41,554 33	1,250 10	58,500 00	1,199 99	913 00	11,815 71	709 75	53,215 83	7,735 72

## FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

## LIABILITIES.

Treasury notes :	
Turner Library . . . .	\$5,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank . . . .	10,000 00
Randolph Savings Bank . . . .	5,000 00
Coddington Fund . . . .	1,600 00
Water loan sinking fund . . . .	15,000 00
Six notes of \$850 each, (Allen street and Highland avenue),	5,100 00
Seven notes of \$630-each, (Liberty and Lafayette streets) . .	4,410 00
Six notes of \$500 each, (Liberty, North and Lafayette sts.)	3,000 00
Five notes of \$500 each, (Highway plant) . . . .	2,500 00
One note (fire alarm) . . . .	500 00
Two notes \$10,000 each, anticipation of taxes . . . . .	20,000 00
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	\$72,110 00
Interest on above notes (estimated),	421 00
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	\$72,531 00

## CASH ASSETS.

Unpaid taxes of 1901 . . . .	\$474 22
Unpaid taxes of 1902 . . . .	7,892 12
Unpaid taxes of 1903 . . . .	18,462 52
Interest on taxes (estimated) . . . .	732 00
State aid to be refunded . . . .	3,271 00
Military aid to be refunded . . . .	189 00
Burial expenses to be refunded . . . .	70 00

Balance of corporation tax . . .	\$56 30	
Due from Weymouth, pauper account,	66 00	
Brockton, pauper account .	238 90	
Boston, pauper account .	59 81	
Quincy, pauper account .	188 37	
Concord, pauper account .	18 14	
Westboro, pauper account.	19 85	
Cash in hands of Treasurer . . .	3,616 14	
	<hr/>	\$35,354 37

Net town debt December 31, 1903 . . .	\$37,176 63
Net town debt December 31, 1902 . . .	41,815 95
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Decrease of debt in 1903 . . . . .	\$4,639 32

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,

*Treasurer.*

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RANDOLPH, Mass., February 8, 1903.

The undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Randolph, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find the same correctly kept with proper vouchers and entries made for all payments and receipts.

MICHAEL F. CUNNINGHAM,

JEREMIAH J. DESMOND,

JOHN B. WREN,

*Auditors.*



## RECORDS OF TOWN MEETINGS IN 1903.

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### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 2, 1903.

Pursuant to a warrant issued by the Selectmen of Randolph, dated February 16, 1903, duly served and returned by Michael F. Sullivan, Constable, the voters of the Town of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall, on Monday, March 2, 1903.

The booths were prepared and sample ballots posted as required by law. A package of 1,260 regular and 60 special ballots was delivered by the Town Clerk to John A. Hoye and Thomas L. Stetson, who receipted therefor, after taking the oath of office. Thomas Farrell and Michael F. Sullivan were the officers at the gates.

The Town Clerk called the meeting to order, and, having read the warrant and return, called for action under—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

The following-named persons were called upon by the Town Clerk to assist in the election of Moderator: John A. Hoye and Arnold Thayer at check list; Dexter T. Clark and Thomas L. Stetson in charge of ballot box, the old style open ballot box being used.

The oath of office was administered to all four by the Town Clerk, and promptly at six o'clock the polls were declared

open for the reception of ballots for Moderator, the check list being used. At 6.40 o'clock A.M. all persons who so desired having voted, it was

Voted to close the polls.

The whole number of ballots cast for Moderator was two hundred and seventy.

Joseph Belcher received 100.

John T. Flood received 170 and was declared elected. The oath of office was administered to the Moderator by the Town Clerk.

Article 2. To choose all such town officers as are required to be chosen by ballot, also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Voted, that we proceed to ballot for all such town officers as towns are by law authorized to choose at their annual meeting, viz.: a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, one Superintending School Committee, three Auditors, seven Constables, three Fish Wardens, three Fence Viewers, one Trustee of Stetson School Fund, one Water Commissioner, a Tree Warden and a Collector of Taxes; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?" That the polls shall be kept open until sunset; that Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 37 and 38 of the warrant be referred to a committee of seven to be appointed by the Moderator, said committee to report at an adjournment of this meeting, and when this meeting adjourns it shall be to Monday, March 16, 1903, at 7.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of taking action upon the report of said committee.

The Moderator appointed the following committee:



## John V. Beal.

James E. Blanche.	Thomas J. Kiernan.
John H. Field.	Franklin W. Hayden.
Frank C. Granger, M.D.	Edwin M. Mann.

The ballot box was examined and shown to be empty; then, being locked, the key was delivered to the officer at the gate.

The polls were at 6.50 o'clock A.M. declared open for the reception of the ballots.

The ballot box failed to register correctly at any time during the day and at the close of the balloting showed a discrepancy of eighteen (18) ballots.

It was opened three times during the day for the removal of ballots, viz. :

At 11.07 o'clock A.M., when the register indicated 520.

At 2.00 o'clock P.M., when the register indicated 697.

At 3.30 o'clock P.M., when the register indicated 725.

The following named persons appointed by the Selectmen served as tellers :

Michael E. Clark.	Rufus A. Thayer.
Frank J. Hand.	Daniel P. Lyons.
Nelson Mann.	Franklin W. Hayden.
Edward F. Murphy.	Herbert Huke.
Walter H. Lyons.	Fred H. Alden.
Frank H. Jaquith.	Frank H. Tileston.

At sunset (5.34 o'clock P.M.), the polls were declared closed.

The Moderator counted out 825 ballots and the check list and ballot clerk's list each showed 825 names checked.

During the counting of the ballots the following articles were acted upon, viz. :

Article 3. To choose all such officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

The following named persons were elected to fill the offices set against their respective names, viz. :

#### SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

* Fred A. French.	Joseph T. Leahy.
Charles D. Hill.	Royal T. Mann.
Eugene Thayer.	Charles F. Bean.

#### POUND-KEEPER.

Timothy M. O'Leary.

#### FIELD DRIVERS.

* Frank W. Harris.	* John P. Hanley.
Dominick J. Hand.	Charles Levy.
John A. Forrest.	John F. Nolan.

Article 14. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Voted, unanimously, that the Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money to replace, renew or refund any or all notes of the town now outstanding that may be now due or on demand or that may become due during the present year.

Article 15. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the sum he is authorized to borrow.

Voted, unanimously, that for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Randolph,

in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to not more than forty thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum; all debts incurred under this vote for the town shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested, as a party or otherwise, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted, that the Selectmen be so authorized.

Article 33. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested, as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Voted, that the Water Commissioners be so authorized and appointed.

Article 34. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and published in the town report as required by law.

The following is the list of jurors accepted :

Alden, F. Wayland	Mann, Edwin M.
Barrett, Redmond	Mahady, William
Clark, George Melvin	McLaughlin, Patrick H.
Clarke, Melvin S.	Murphy, Edward F.
Corless, Simon B.	McAuliffe, Richard
Donovan, Michael A.	Niles, Isaac
Elliott, George A.	Pope, David
French, Fred M.	Quinn, Edward
Forrest, Richard	Roberts, William R.
Foley, James	Reynolds, George A.
Gallagher, Joseph C.	Scanlon, Maurice E.
Gill, John F.	Snow, Hiram
Jones, Rufus	Spear, William B.
Lovejoy, George A.	Taber, Edwin A.
Long, James F.	Stetson, Frank E.
Lyons, Walter H.	Willard, John K.

Purcell, John T.

The ballots having been sorted and counted, declaration of the result was made as follows :

Whole number of ballots	. . . . .	825
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#### FOR TOWN CLERK.

* † Joseph T. Leahy,	626	Blanks	. . . . .	199
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#### FOR TOWN TREASURER.

* † Joseph T. Leahy,	575	Blanks	. . . . .	250
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#### FOR SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

* † George H. Eddy	. . . . .	367
John E. McDonald	. . . . .	358
* † Patrick H. McLaughlin	. . . . .	479
* † Charles H. Thayer	. . . . .	379
John K. Willard	. . . . .	359

\* Elected.

† Oath of office taken.

Scattering . . . . .	2
Blanks . . . . .	531

## FOR SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 YEARS).

Michael A. Donovan, 327	* † Royal T. Mann,	410
Blanks . . . . .	88	

## FOR TRUSTEE STETSON SCHOOL FUND (3 YEARS).

Michael A. Donovan, 314	* † Royal T. Mann,	401
Blanks . . . . .	110	

## FOR WATER COMMISSIONER (3 YEARS).

Lester W. Mann . 307	* † James F. Sullivan,	433
Blanks . . . . .	85	

## FOR AUDITORS.

Joseph Belcher, 333	William H. Leavitt,	272
* † Michael F. Cunningham . 357	George A. Roel,	249
	* † John B. Wren	359
* † Jeremiah J. Desmond, 392	Blanks . . . . .	513

## FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

* † Arthur W. Alden, 549	Blanks . . . . .	276
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## FOR CONSTABLES.

* † Frank J. Donahoe, 532	* † Frank W. Harris .	500
* † Thomas Farrell . 537	E. Forrest Knight,	358
* † Joseph H. Foster . 481	William F. McAuliffe,	240
* † John Haney . 462	* † Lincoln Stetson .	407
* † Michael F. Sullivan, 409	Blanks . . . . .	1849

\* Elected.

† Oath of office taken.



## FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

* Charles H. Cole .	375	* † Edwin M. Mann .	403
William Mahady .	354	* † James Riley .	480
Blanks .	.	.	863

## FOR FISH WARDENS.

George W. Hawes .	281	* † Peter B. Sullivan .	287
I. Willie Hayden .	274	* † George F. Taylor,	398
* † Eugene L. McAuliffe,	330	Blanks .	905

## FOR TREE WARDEN.

* † Royal T. Mann .	410	John Sheehan .	286
Blanks .	.	.	129

## VOTE ON LICENSE QUESTION.

Yes .	392	No .	368
Blanks .	.	.	65

The ballots, unused ballots and both check lists were sealed up in open town meeting and at 8.10 o'clock P.M. it was—

Voted, to adjourn.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

## ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING.

RANDOLPH, March 16, 1903.

The annual meeting, adjourned from March 2 to this date, was called to order by the Moderator promptly at 7.30 P.M.

The Committee on Appropriations submitted a printed

\* Elected.

† Oath of office taken.



report of their recommendations, a copy of which was presented each voter on entering the hall.

Voted, that the report of the committee be accepted. Action on the various articles was taken as follows:

Article 4. To hear the reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

Voted, that the reports of the town officers, with the exception of the Water Commissioners, be accepted; that the Water Commissioners be instructed to place in the hands of the voters of Randolph before the first day of May, 1903, an exact account of the bills that are due and remain unpaid for water for the past fifteen years, if there are any, and in the future, when they make their annual report to include the outstanding bills that are due the town for water used.

Article 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$12,266 be raised and appropriated as follows:

For teaching . . . . .	\$7,766 00
care of rooms . . . . .	600 00
fuel . . . . .	500 00
books and supplies . . . . .	900 00
miscellaneous, incidental and general repairs,	800 00
transportation of pupils . . . . .	100 00
Superintendent of Schools . . . . .	600 00
Stetson High School . . . . .	2,200 00
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	\$13,466 00

Less the following estimates:

Revenue from dog tax, State School

Fund and Coddington fund . . . . .	\$700 00	
State, for Superintendent of Schools,	300 00	
State, for salary of teachers . . . . .	200 00	
	<hr/>	1,200 00
Total . . . . .		<hr/>
		\$12,266 00

And in addition thereto, that the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the trustees for the support of said Stetson High School the amount of bank tax received by him, and arising from the investment known as the Stetson School Fund.

It is also voted that the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized and directed to borrow upon notes of the town of Randolph such sums of money not exceeding three thousand dollars as may be required to pay the expenses incurred for the support of schools, including Stetson High School, from January 1, 1904, to March 1, 1904, and that said notes thus issued shall be a part of and be paid from the money raised and appropriated for the support of schools for the year 1904.

Article 6. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$17,905 be raised and appropriated therefor as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	\$1,600 00
Poor in almshouse . . . . .	1,800 00
Poor out of almshouse . . . . .	4,000 00
Soldiers' relief . . . . .	400 00
Soldiers' relief in Randolph and Holbrook . . . . .	500 00
Military aid . . . . .	250 00
Town Officers . . . . .	2,500 00
Board of Health . . . . .	200 00
Interest on town debt . . . . .	2,350 00
Lockup expenses . . . . .	200 00
Expenses of Tree Warden . . . . .	500 00
Births, marriages, deaths and court fees . . . . .	125 00
On overdrafts of 1902 . . . . .	1,000 00

*Reduction of Town Debt.*

Town note (highway plant), vote 1898 . . . . .	500 00
Town note, vote 1899 . . . . .	850 00

Town note, vote 1900 . . . . .	\$630 00
Town note (fire alarm), vote 1900 . . . . .	500 00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$17,905 00</u>

Also that the interest on the taxes and deposits during the year 1903 be appropriated towards the payment of interest on the town debt. Also that the overlay tax of the current year be appropriated towards meeting any abatement of taxes which may be allowed.

Article 7. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and appropriated for the repairs of highways, including sidewalks, paving and removal of snow, and in addition thereto the street railway tax and excise tax for the current year, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, and that the Selectmen be instructed not to exceed the appropriation of \$3,000 voted.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,261 be raised and appropriated as follows :

Miscellaneous expenses . . . . .	\$1,100 00
Pay of 48 men, \$12 each . . . . .	576 00
Pay of 48 men, hour service . . . . .	275 00
Fires in woodland . . . . .	100 00
Fire alarm . . . . .	175 00
Engineer of steamer . . . . .	20 00
Fireman of steamer . . . . .	15 00
Total . . . . .	<u>\$2,261 00</u>

Article 9. To see if the town will make an appropriation

for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, G. A. R.

Voted, that the sum of \$100 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the Sinking Fund, as required by law, to meet the payments of the Randolph Water Loan.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,500 be raised and contributed to the Sinking Fund to meet the payment of the Randolph Water Loan when due.

Article 11. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Voted, that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Voted, that the sum of \$3,300 be raised and appropriated for said purpose, and no more.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1903-1904, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the town pay for the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1903-1904, and that the sum of \$120 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 16. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Voted, that three-fourths of one per cent. be allowed for the collection of taxes.

Article 17. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, that the sum of \$300 be raised and appropri-

ated for said purpose, said sum to be apportioned equally among the several physicians, and to be in full for attendance upon all persons under the care of the Overseers of the Poor whose settlement and residence is in the town of Randolph for one year from January 1, 1903. That is to say, each physician resident in the town on the first of March, 1903, shall receive the sum of \$50 for his services, provided he makes fifty visits during the year; after that he shall receive no compensation for his services, but shall attend such of this town's poor within its limits as may call upon him for his services; those physicians who make less than fifty visits shall receive pay at the rate of one dollar for each of said visits.

Article 18. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

The vote as first passed under this article was that the sum of \$1,200 be raised and appropriated and that two officers be appointed for the enforcement of all the laws; but upon re-consideration it was voted, that the Selectmen appoint special officers, or direct officers elected by the town, to enforce all the laws of the Commonwealth, and that the sum of \$1,800 be raised and appropriated for said purpose.

Article 19. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Voted, that each person employed by the town shall receive not less than \$2 per day and as much more as his labor is worth; and that the laborers residing in town and the residents owning teams shall be employed in preference to any others.

Article 20. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1903.



Voted, that the Collector of Taxes be so authorized.

Article 21. To see what action the town will take in relation to having the gates and posts of the N. Y., N. H. & H. Railway Company removed from the sidewalks on Warren street, as petitioned for by James E. Blanche and others.

Voted, that the subject matter of this article be referred to the Selectmen to make such arrangements with the N. Y., N. H. & H. Railway Company as the public convenience and necessity require.

Article 22. To see what action the town will take in relation to repairing the sidewalks, gutters and roadway of Warren street from the railway station to the junction of West and Warren streets, and raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the same, as petitioned for by James E. Blanche and others.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to make such permanent repairs on Warren street, between the railroad crossing thereon and its junction with West street, as the financial condition of the treasury of the town for the current year will permit.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to place an additional electric light on Cross street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Daniel P. Lyons and others.

Under this article a motion to raise and appropriate money for the purpose therein mentioned was defeated. Article dismissed.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to place an additional electric light on Silver street, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

In accordance with the recommendation of the committee, it was voted that action on the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to place two additional electric lights on South Main street, and raise and



appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by David L. Linfield and others.

Voted, that action on the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to place an additional fire alarm box on South Main street, near the Avon town line, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by David L. Linfield and others.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from the junction of Main and Oak streets through Oak street to the Oak street cemetery, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that the water main be extended from the junction of Main and Oak streets to Oakland cemetery and that the expense thereof be met from the sale of bonds which the town is allowed to issue under the Act of 1896, Chapter 372, Section 1.

Article 28. To see what action the town will take in regard to effecting a settlement of the claim of John T. Langford, and make provision for the payment of the same.

Voted, that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized to adopt such necessary proceedings or measures in the John T. Langford suit against the town as in their judgment shall be most beneficial for the town, and in case such an adjustment thereof be made as will require more money to satisfy than the sale of the bonds which the town is allowed to issue under Act of 1896, Chapter 372, Section 1, will yield, then, in such case, that said Board in behalf of the town be directed and authorized to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth for authority to issue additional bonds, notes or scrip to an amount not exceeding five thou-

sand dollars upon such terms as said Court may provide, the same to be used as provided by law.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care of clocks in the spires of the Congregational and First Baptist Churches, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that the sum of forty dollars be raised and appropriated for the care of clocks in the spires of the Congregational and First Baptist Churches.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to build a sidewalk on Chestnut street, from the corner of Old and Chestnut streets to the residence of James Devine, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Thomas F. Patten and others.

Voted, that action under this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to furnish a curtain and stage fittings for Stetson Hall, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as recommended by the trustees of Stetson School Fund.

Voted, that action under this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to place a fire alarm box at the junction of High and Canton streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that action under this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to make an appropriation for insurance on the Turner Library Building.

Voted, that the sum of \$322.20 be raised and appropriated for the payment of said insurance.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to place electric lights on North Main street from Canton street to Old street,

and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by Thomas B. Kelley and others.

Voted, that action on the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 38. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

No committee reported.

Voted, unanimously, that the Selectmen be instructed to pay the sum of twenty-five dollars to John T. Flood, Moderator, for his services.

Mr. Flood, having expressed his thanks, directed the Treasurer to pay that amount to Post 110, G. A. R., for its monument fund.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

" Resolved, that we, the voters of Randolph, in town meeting assembled, extend our thanks to John V. Beal, Thomas J. Kiernan, John H. Field, James E. Blanche, Franklin W. Hayden, Frank C. Granger, M.D., and Edwin M. Mann, the Committee on Appropriations, for the care and deliberation exhibited in their recommendations for the disposal of the articles referred to them at the annual town meeting, March 2, 1903."

The total appropriations :

For support of schools, under Article 5 . . .	\$12,266 00
general town expenses, under Article 6 . . .	17,905 00
highways, under Article 7 . . .	3,000 00
Fire Department, under Article 8 . . .	2,261 00
Grand Army Post No. 110, under Article 9 . . .	100 00
contribution to sinking fund, under Article 10, . . .	2,500 00
water for hydrants, public buildings, etc., . . .	
under Article 11 . . . . .	2,000 00
street lighting by electricity, under Article 12, . . .	3,300 00

For insurance on Town Treasurer's bond, under Article 13 . . . . .	\$120 00
medical attendance on the poor, under Article 17 . . . . .	300 00
enforcement of laws, under Article 18 . . . . .	1,800 00
care of clocks, under Article 29 . . . . .	40 00
insurance on Turner Free Library building, under Article 36 . . . . .	322 20
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	\$45,914 20
State tax . . . . .	1,950 00
County tax . . . . .	1,766 65
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Total . . . . .	\$49,630 85

Voted, at 9.54 o'clock P.M. to dissolve the meeting.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

#### ELECTION WARRANT.

##### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph, in said County,*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in State elections, to assemble in Stetson Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in to the Selectmen, on one ballot, their votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Councillor for District No. 2, Senator for First Norfolk District, Represen-

tative in the General Court from the Seventh Norfolk District, one County Commissioner, Register of Probate and Insolvency, Register of Deeds and County Treasurer. Also to vote on the acceptance of Chapter 454, Acts of 1903, entitled, "An Act to provide for Joint Caucuses or Primaries of all Political and Municipal Parties."

The polls for the reception of ballots aforesaid will be opened at six o'clock A.M., and will remain open until two o'clock, and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the day and hour of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published in said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this nineteenth day of October A.D. one thousand nine hundred and three.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,  
GEORGE H. EDDY,  
CHARLES H. THAYER,  
*Selectmen of Randolph.*

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STATE ELECTION, 1903.

RANDOLPH, November 3, 1903.

Pursuant to the preceding warrant, the voters of Randolph assembled in Stetson Hall, on Tuesday, November 3, 1903.

The warrant was read by Patrick H. McLaughlin, chairman of the Selectmen, who called the meeting to order. The ballot box was inspected and found in good order. All



the requirements of law being complied with, the polls were declared open. The following named persons appointed by the Selectmen assisted at the election :

Ballot Clerks : Edward O'Flaherty and Thomas L. Stetson. Deputy Ballot Clerks : William A. Croak and Samuel A. Foster, Jr. Tellers : Nelson Mann, Daniel P. Lyons, Royal T. Mann, Frank H. Jaquith, Arnold Thayer, Franklin W. Hayden, Fred H. Alden, Dexter T. Clark.

At check list : Frank J. Hand.

The oath of office was administered to all the above by the Town Clerk ; Thomas Farrell and Michael F. Sullivan were the officers in charge of the gates.

During the time set for balloting the ballot box was opened twice and ballots removed therefrom as follows :

At 9.10 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 477 ballots cast.

At 11 o'clock A.M., when the register showed 645 ballots cast.

At 2 o'clock P.M. the polls were closed. The ballot box register indicated 845 ; the election officers' list and the ballot clerks' list each showed 845 names checked, and the presiding officer counted out 845 ballots.

The following is the result of the vote :

Whole number of ballots cast . . . . .	845
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#### FOR GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates . . . . .	327	Oliver W. Cobb . . . . .	3
Thomas F. Brennan . . . . .	13	William A. Gaston . . . . .	390
John C. Chase . . . . .	75	Blanks . . . . .	37

#### FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams . . . . .	93	Richard Olney, 2d . . . . .	363
Curtis Guild, Jr. . . . .	315	Moritz E. Ruther . . . . .	9
William F. Merrill . . . . .	4	Blanks . . . . .	61



## FOR SECRETARY.

Olof Bokelund . . .	79	Ezekiel M. Ezekiel . . .	340
John F. Coyle . . .	12	William M. Olin . . .	312
Alfred L. Cutting . . .	3	Blanks . . . . .	99

## FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

John A. Billings . . .	84	Frederick A. Nagler, . . .	7
Edward S. Bradford . . .	291	Thomas C. Thacher . . .	334
Napoleon B. Johnson . . .	8	Blanks . . . . .	121

## FOR AUDITOR.

Jhn H. Hagan . . .	32	Francois X. Tetrault . . .	313
Joseph Orr . . .	61	Henry E. Turner . . .	290
Alfred E. Steele . . .	6	Blanks . . . . .	143

## FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John A. Anderson . . .	22	John J. Flaherty . . .	342
William J. Carroll . . .	60	Herbert Parker . . .	294
Henry M. Dean . . .	9	Blanks . . . . .	118

## FOR COUNCILLOR.

Gustave B. Bates . . .	87	Augustus Hemmenway, . . .	338
Frederick S. Hall . . .	287	Blanks . . . . .	133

## FOR SENATOR.

Albert A. Brackett . . .	285	Felix Rackemann . . .	373
William M. Packard . . .	74	Blanks . . . . .	113

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Samuel J. Burns . . .	25	Frederick W. Whitcomb, . . .	429
Fred M. French . . .	372	Blanks . . . . .	19

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Daniel H. Coleman . . .	142	James Hewins . . .	507
Blanks . . . . .			196

## FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

John D. Cobb . . .	493	Clarence H. Deane . .	156
Blanks . . . . .			196

## FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin . .	500	J. Frank Hayward . .	131
Blanks . . . . .			214

## FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Allen G. Coffin . . .	136	Charles H. Smith . .	504
Blanks . . . . .			205

## JOINT CAUCUS QUESTION.

Yes . . . . .	218	No . . . . .	184
Blanks . . . . .			443

The ballots, together with the unused ballots and both check lists were sealed up in open town meeting, and endorsed by the election officers; returns were made to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and the meeting was dissolved.

A true record.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk.*

## MEETING OF TOWN CLERKS.

RANDOLPH, November 13, 1903.

We, the undersigned, Town Clerks of Avon, Holbrook and Randolph, comprising Representative district number seven in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at an election duly held at the respective towns aforesaid on the third day of November, 1903, to vote for one Representative, the following votes were given, viz.:

	A.	H.	R.	Total.
Samuel J. Burns of Holbrook .	36	66	25	127
Fred M. French of Randolph .	153	191	372	716
Frederick W. Whitcomb of Holbrook,	169	218	429	816
Blanks . . . . .	17	10	19	46
Total of each town and the district,	375	485	845	1705

Frederick W. Whitcomb was declared elected and a certificate in duplicate was signed to that effect.

MORTIMER D. RICHARDSON, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

LOUIS A. FLYE, *Town Clerk of Holbrook.*

JOSEPH T. LEAHY, *Town Clerk of Randolph.*

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#### APPOINTMENTS RECORDED IN 1903.

Inspector of Animals : Lincoln Stetson.

Superintendent of Almshouse : Timothy M. O'Leary.

Superintendent of Streets : Stillman B. Woodman.

Special Police, with pay : John Haney.

Special Police, without pay : Thomas B. Jones, Thomas B. Kelly, Frank H. Jaquith, Edgar B. Makepeace, Thomas J. Kiernan, James B. Clark, John P. Rooney, John Bigelow, Thomas J. Kenney, Edwin F. Knight, Marcus L. Tirrell, Wellington L. McNicholl, P. Joseph Riley, Albert H. Holbrook, John P. Dillon.

Registrar of Voters : James Fardy.

Sealer of Weights and Measures : Dexter T. Clark.

Keeper of Lockup : Arthur W. Alden.

Jurors drawn—Grand juror : Michael A. Donovan. Traverse jurors : James Foley, William R. Roberts, Edward F. Murphy, Walter H. Lyons, John K. Willard, Edwin A. Taber, Melvin S. Clark.

# TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

## OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH FOR THE YEAR 1903.

The number of intentions of marriage, marriages, births and deaths recorded during the year 1903 was as follows:

MONTHS.	Intentions of Marriage.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.
January . . . . .	1	1	4	4
February . . . . .	4	4	3	18
March . . . . .	1	2	7	6
April . . . . .	1	1	4	6
May . . . . .	7	5	1	5
June . . . . .	5	8	5	4
July . . . . .	2	2	4	5
August . . . . .	2	2	9	3
September . . . . .	4	5	4	6
October . . . . .	1	3	12	7
November . . . . .	2	3	3	4
December . . . . .	4	4	4	9
Totals . . . . .	34	40	60	77

Whole number of births recorded . . . . .	60
Males . . . . .	29
Females . . . . .	31
Parents, both native born . . . . .	41
both foreign born . . . . .	7
one native, one foreign . . . . .	12
Whole number of deaths . . . . .	77
Males . . . . .	38
Females . . . . .	39
Under five years of age . . . . .	11
Between 5 and 10 years . . . . .	1
10 and 20 years . . . . .	1
20 and 30 years . . . . .	6
30 and 40 years . . . . .	4
40 and 50 years . . . . .	7
50 and 60 years . . . . .	10
60 and 70 years . . . . .	11
70 and 80 years . . . . .	12
80 and 90 years . . . . .	11
Over 90 years . . . . .	3
Whole number of intentions of marriage . . . . .	34
Whole number of marriages . . . . .	40
Couples both native born . . . . .	28
both foreign born . . . . .	5
one foreign, one native . . . . .	7

## MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1903.

Date.		Names.	Residence.	Age.
Jan.	10	Charles C. Wilson . . .	Lynn . . .	21
		Nellie Hodgkins . . .	Randolph . . .	22
Feb.	4	Frank W. Harris . . .	Randolph . . .	35
		Nora Sheehan . . .	Randolph . . .	26
	7	Kenneth J. Matheson . . .	Randolph . . .	23
		Julia Etta Mann . . .	Randolph . . .	20
	21	Josiah H. Scates . . .	Rome, Me. . .	49
		Lillian F. Robbins . . .	Rome, Me. . .	28
		—Brailey		
	25	Nathan Noyes . . .	Tunbridge, Vt. . .	80
		Elizabeth H. Raymond . . .	Randolph . . .	56
		—Parker		
March	14	Alvin R. Sanford . . .	Milton . . .	37
		Lena Weir . . .	Milton . . .	23
	17	Thomas R. McLeod . . .	Randolph . . .	40
		Nellie Johnson . . .	Randolph . . .	25
April	15	Martin F. Condon . . .	Randolph . . .	19
		Elizabeth Myers . . .	Randolph . . .	22
May	8	Harold L. Jones . . .	Braintree . . .	24
		Bessie Belle DeForest . . .	Randolph . . .	25
	12	Charles A. Boyd . . .	Randolph . . .	24
		Bertha L. Buffum . . .	Winchester, N. H. . .	25
	12	George E. Goody . . .	Randolph . . .	25
		Abbie F. Harris . . .	Brockton . . .	23
	24	Chesley G. Norwood . . .	Randolph . . .	25
		Carrie M. Wentworth . . .	Randolph . . .	20
	24	John Lester Hamilton . . .	Avon . . .	26
		Eva Adelaide Thompson . . .	Randolph . . .	30
June	2	H. Joseph Shepard . . .	Randolph . . .	34
		Bridget L. Marshall . . .	Randolph . . .	29

Date.		Names.	Residence.	Age.
June	2	Herbert E. White . . .	So. Braintree . . .	23
		Clara B. Stearns . . .	Randolph . . .	18
	10	Frank Ernest Mann . . .	Wellesley Hills . . .	24
		Abbie Atwood Thomas . . .	Middleboro . . .	19
	10	Edward L. Goodridge . . .	Quincy . . .	37
		Alice W. Baker . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	17	Herbert C. Wilbur . . .	Randolph . . .	33
		Annie Frances Frier . . .	Randolph . . .	30
	24	Albert F. Blanchard . . .	Randolph . . .	21
		Adelaide E. Baker . . .	Randolph . . .	20
	30	Walter Frederic Stephens . . .	Brockton . . .	24
		Bessie Howard Farnham . . .	Randolph . . .	24
	30	Michael E. Reardon . . .	Brockton . . .	40
		Annie J. Dolan . . .	Randolph . . .	39
	July 22	George Arthur Austin . . .	Holbrook . . .	30
		Martha Edna Kingsley . . .	Holbrook . . .	26
	30	Samuel A. Foster, Jr. . . .	Randolph . . .	29
		Hannah M. Pope . . .	Randolph . . .	29
	August 6	George Peterson . . .	Boston . . .	27
		Alice F. Power . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	8	Arthur P. Johnson . . .	Randolph . . .	20
		Dellama Waldron . . .	South Braintree . . .	21
	Sept. 1	Theodore B. Marsh, Jr. . . .	Malden . . .	22
		Celia H. Lovejoy . . .	Randolph . . .	20
	8	Frank W. Belcher . . .	Randolph . . .	26
		Una C. Cole . . .	Brockton . . .	23
	11	Charles Edward Blakeney . . .	Randolph . . .	21
		Mary Agnes Holbrook . . .	Randolph . . .	19
	16	Robert Wayne Lennox . . .	Randolph . . .	27
		Eva Alberta Hodgins . . .	Boston . . .	23
	22	Frank Manly . . .	Randolph . . .	33
		Jennet McLean . . .	Randolph . . .	32
		—McLeod		
	October 1	William F. Mullen . . .	Randolph . . .	35
		Elizabeth A. Branley . . .	Holbrook . . .	35



Date.		Names.	Residence.	Age.
Oct.	22	John T. Harty . . .	Randolph . . .	33
		Elizabeth J. Barry . . .	Randolph . . .	32
	28	Robert Seelye Weeks . . .	Brookline . . .	26
		Marion Pratt Badger . . .	Brookline . . .	21
Nov.	3	Coleman Donahue . . .	Plymouth . . .	40
		Margaret Hoarty . . .	Plymouth . . .	34
	15	George W. Jenkins . . .	Augusta, Me. . .	31
		Nellie E. Bowman . . .	Oldtown, Me. . .	41
	26.	—Tyler Henry F. McCarthy . . .	Randolph . . .	22
		Bridget Donahoe . . .	Randolph . . .	19
Dec.	23	Rufus W. Billings . . .	Randolph . . .	27
		Grace A. Belcher . . .	Randolph . . .	23
	25	Frank H. Bump . . .	Randolph . . .	20
		Gertrude A. Butler . . .	Brockton . . .	21
	25	Harry Damon . . .	Randolph . . .	34
		Ina A. Thompson . . .	Randolph . . .	37
	30	Thomas H. Buckley . . .	Brockton . . .	41
		Alice M. Kenney . . .	Randolph . . .	39

## BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1903.

Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.
Jan. 3	Charles R. Stewart . .	M.	Charles and Mary—Morrison
5	Arthur Joseph Trombley .	M.	Joseph A. and Lillie—Deroche
13	Raymond F. Wood . .	M.	Walter C. and Cora B.—Howard
28	Raymond E. Beale . .	M.	Samuel G. and Emma L.—Peterson
Feb. 1	Edward Carroll . .	M.	William H. and Mary A.—O'Connor
4	Marian Ruth Vaughn .	F.	Otis S. and Katherine—Fahey
23	Katherine A. Fuller . .	F.	Henry E. and Julietta—Stearns
Mar. 7	John E. Boyle, Jr. . .	M.	John E. and Katherine—Murphy
12	Eva M. Payne . .	F.	William H. and Jennie E.—Burrell
15	Edward Joseph Brennan .	M.	Dennis F. and Agnes—Branley
16	James Francis Clark . .	M.	John E. and Katherine F.—Toomey
20	— Stillborn . .	F.	
21	Florence M. Williams .	F.	Arthur L. and Annie—Killelea
30	Augusta Tolman . .	F.	N. Irving and Edith—Porter
Apr. 24	Raymond W. Deane . .	M.	Clarence H. and Nettie W.—French
25	Mildred M. Fisher . .	F.	Albert E. and Amy C.—Johnson
30	Anna Lyons . .	F.	Timothy F. and Elizabeth G.—Lyons
9	Alcesta Livermore . .	F.	Charles H. Jr. and Lulu A.—Cate
May 31	John William Holmes .	M.	William F. and Mabel C.—Gifford
June 7	Margaret Elizabeth Randall	F.	Howard and Helen A.—Belcher
18	John C. Truelson . .	M.	Charles and Katharine—McCartin
19	Francis McLean Rudderham	M.	John E. and Fannie M.—McLean
28	Francis Joseph Sullivan .	M.	George A. and Mary A.—Coffey
28	Edward Shepard . .	M.	William H. and Mary E.—O'Connors
July 13	Marian Genevieve Toomey	F.	John F. and Katherine E.—Patten
22	Katherine McGaughey .	F.	David T. and Elizabeth—O'Brien
23	Kenneth W. Robbins . .	M.	Leonard A. and Emma—Wilson
29	Harold V. Riley . .	M.	Patrick H. and Anna M.—Donovan
Aug. 3	Charles Heney . .	M.	Joseph J. and Katharine J.—White
4	James McLeod . .	M.	Thomas R. and Nellie—Johnson
4	Helen E. Matheson . .	F.	Kenneth J. and Etta—Mann
6	Gladys Hazel Francey .	F.	Caleb A. and Mary A.—Drake
17	George Thomas Gill . .	M.	William and Ellen—O'Leary
20	Alice O'Brien . .	F.	Thomas S. and Rosella G.—Foley
22	George Rohlf . .	M.	August O. F. and Clara A.—Neumann
22	James Joseph Hogan . .	M.	William J. and Helen C.—Allard
26	Helen Converse Spear .	F.	W. Ray and Hattie M.—Fay
Sept. 8	Alice Elizabeth Kiley .	F.	Thomas P. and Alice M.—Holbrook
17	Evelyn Watson . .	F.	Roy M. and Evelina—Stuart
23	Warren E. Mann . .	M.	Weston L. and Marian—Butterick
28	Elsie Elizabeth Watson .	F.	George and Mary—Briggs

Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.
Oct. 2	Richard Condon . . .	M.	M. Frank and Elizabeth T.—Myers
5	Margaret Gaynor . . .	F.	John F. and Isabelle G.—Donahoe
5	Edmund Tierney . . .	M.	Michael and Katharine—Tobin
8	Frances Good . . .	F.	David J. and Mary A.—Dunn
15	Charlotte Louise Thayer .	F.	Howard W. and Helen L.—Huff
15	Annie Good . . .	F.	James J. and Annie M.—Foley
18	Daniel Donovan . . .	M.	Joseph M. and Katharine E.—Gibbons
23	Roselle Patten . . .	F.	Thomas F. and Sarah E.—Devine
23	James R. Conlan . . .	M.	John J. and Anna E.—Ronan
26	Walter Mahoney . . .	M.	Frank D. and Emma J.—Thompson
27	Ida L. Hall . . .	F.	Charles L. and Sophia H.—Vincent
31	Helen Carney . . .	F.	James and Mary A.—Gibbons
Nov. 23	Ruth Sullivan . . .	*F.	James S. and Elizabeth—Fortin
23	Muriel Sullivan . . .		
23	Mildred Frances Jordan .	F.	William C. and Sybil—Smith
Dec. 1	Harold W. Norwood . . .	M.	Chester T. and Carrie M.—Wentworth
5	Elsie W. Larsen . . .	F.	Peter and Marian—Truelson
8	Charles Henry Forrest . .	M.	Richard F. and Bridget E.—Dunn
13	Beatrice Scannell . . .	F.	Dennis N. and Mary A.—Fahey

\*Twins.

## DEATHS

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH IN 1903.

Date.	Name.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Birthplace.
		Y. M. D.		
Jan. 4	Catharine Collins .	— 8 9	Cerebro spinal meningitis .	Randolph
10	John B. Walsh .	57 — —	Mitral disease of heart .	Ireland
23	Bridget Gaynor .	70 — —	Carcinoma of intestines .	Ireland
29	Alice Farrell .	85 — —	Pulmonary edema .	Ireland
Feb. 1	Herbert A. Porter .	24 — 6	Consumption .	South Braintree
2	Nancy A. Linfield .	82 6 —	Influenza .	Randolph
3	Edward Carroll .	— — 2	Premature birth .	Randolph
3	James P. McLaughlin,	60 — —	Tuberculosis .	Ireland
4	Marian E. Wilbur .	58 4 16	Nephritis .	Cincinnati, O.
5	Lois Reid Hunt .	56 11 19	Heart disease .	Perry, Me.
9	William F. McMahon,	59 — —	Cerebral hemorrhage,	Randolph
10	Malinda D. Hollis .	63 8 25	Pneumonia .	Stoughton
11	Annie Condon .	2 6 2	Cardiac syncope .	Randolph
11	Fred L. Shurtleff .	26 5 8	Consumption .	E. Bridgewater
13	Catharine A. Heney .	46 — —	Stenosis of mitral valve .	Randolph
15	Richard Blanche .	73 — —	Rupture of blood vessel .	Nova Scotia
17	Andrew Strickland .	90 8 27	Old age .	Ireland
17	David Hodgkins .	64 9 1	Heart disease .	England
18	Gladys Flavell .	5 4 —	Diphtheria .	Roxbury
19	Etta D. Qula .	50 — 9	Influenza .	Gloucester
26	Martha J. Tolman .	69 — —	Neurasthemia .	Canada
27	Mary L. Dooley .	48 — —	Peritonitis .	Milford
Mar. 4	Elizabeth Blanche .	70 — —	Nervous shock .	Ireland
9	John E. Boyle, Jr. .	— — 3	Persistency foramen ovale .	Randolph
18	Emily F. Jackson .	68 2 24	Chronic enteritis .	Brockton
20	— .	— — —	Stillborn .	Randolph
22	Percy H. Thompson, Jr.	— 3 26	Pneumonia .	Randolph
28	Bridget Kiley .	84 — —	Old age .	Ireland
Apr. 6	Alice M. Dyer .	23 — —	Tumor .	Braintree
7	Daniel Sullivan .	69 6 23	Meta-pneumonic pleurisy .	Ireland
10	Mary A. Scannell .	14 6 15	Pneumonia .	Randolph
10	Thomas Powderly .	88 — 25	Senile exhaustion .	Ireland
13	Catharine Shea .	54 — —	Tuberculosis of kidneys .	Randolph
27	Mary E. Caswell .	79 9 20	Gastro-enteritis .	Unknown
May 8	Susan A. Irving .	33 — —	Neurasthemia .	Randolph
17	Angeline Thayer .	84 — 10	Old age .	Randolph
17	Ellen Whalin .	95 — —	Old age .	Ireland
21	Sarah A. Jones .	46 10 —	Bright's disease .	Wales
24	Margaret Murray .	29 11 —	Heart failure .	Franklin
June 9	George Loring Binney	76 8 26	Heart disease .	Randolph
23	Michael Shea .	57 — —	Ulcer of stomach .	Randolph

Date.	Name.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Birthplace.
		Y. M. D.		
June 28	Elizabeth A. White .	74 8 17	Dilatation of heart .	Hampden, Me.
30	Annie M. Browne .	48 — —	Pneumonia .	Randolph
July 2	George F. Drake .	28 — —	Fracture of skull .	Boston
5	Susan Jane Tucker .	74 4 28	Cirrhosis of liver .	Randolph
6	Richard McAuliffe .	56 — —	Neuritis .	Ireland
22	Margaret M. Young .	23 — —	Fracture of skull .	St. John, N.B.
25	Mercy Cobb .	80 4 12	Cancer of liver .	Eastham
Aug. 3	Joseph C. Stickney .	73 11 8	Heart failure .	Boston
12	Etta T. Morgan .	41 — —	Cancer of stomach .	Randolph
30	Amasa S. Niles .	77 3 26	Abdominal tumor .	Randolph
Sept. 1	George Rohlfs .	— — 9	Exhaustion .	Randolph
7	John McLean .	62 — —	Valvular disease of heart .	Ireland
12	Raymond F. Wood .	— 7 29	Tubercular meningitis .	Randolph
21	Mary Ann Chandler .	92 3 22	Disease of heart .	Weymouth
24	Henry J. G. Burrell .	50 8 24	Thermic fever .	Braintree
24	Samuel H. Francis .	62 — —	Rupture transverse colon .	St. John, N.B.
Oct. 4	Mary E. O'Reilly .	60 1 20	Carcinoma of liver .	Ireland
12	Harold F. Riley .	— 2 12	Infantile atrophy .	Randolph
14	Marcella Shea .	2 5 4	Tubercular meningitis .	South Braintree
17	Martin P. Pike .	85 — 5	Arterio sclerosis .	Upton, Mass.
17	Catherine Bearce .	54 — —	Colloid carcinoma .	Foxborough
23	James Lyons .	80 — —	Hemiplegia .	Ireland
26	Walter Mahoney .	— — 2	Premature birth .	Randolph
Nov. 5	Thomas Fardy .	88 — —	Senile bronchitis .	Ireland
13	William F. Shepard .	70 — —	Valvular disease of heart .	Ireland
23	William J. Fennell .	30 — 24	Asthma .	Weymouth
30	Samuel B. Beal .	87 3 9	Broncho pneumonia .	Georgetown, Me.
Dec. 2	Eunice Poole .	77 — 28	Old age .	Randolph
2	James F. Sullivan .	39 11 29	Dilatation of heart .	Randolph
4	Josiah Clark .	89 — 27	Cerebral hemorrhage .	Randolph
9	Bernard F. Purcell .	61 6 7	Paralysis .	Ireland
18	Catherine O'Brien .	67 — —	Acute rheumatism .	Ireland
22	Mary Malley .	48 — —	Cholelithiasis .	Ireland
22	Mary C. Hayden .	49 7 12	Heart disease .	South Braintree
24	Charles W. Woodford .	30 — —	Cerebral hemorrhage .	Portland, Me.
25	William Gibbons .	72 — —	Rheumatism .	Ireland

#### CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Edema, nephritis, rupture blood vessel, diphtheria, peritonitis, nervous shock, persistency foramen ovale, stillborn, pleurisy, Bright's disease, neuritis, ulcer of stomach, cirrhosis of liver, exhaustion, thermic fever, rupture transverse colon, infantile atrophy, hemiplegia, bronchitis, asthma, paralysis, cholelithiasis, one each—22.

Consumption, influenza, premature birth, tuberculosis, neurasthenia, enteritis, tumor, fracture of skull, rheumatism, two each—18.

Meningitis, cerebral hemorrhage, three each—6.

Cancer, pneumonia, five each—10.

Old age, six—6.

Heart disease, fifteen—15.

Total, 77.



# INTERMENTS

AT RANDOLPH OF PERSONS DYING ELSEWHERE IN 1903.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Place of death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 8	James F. Sheehan . . .	45	—	—	Avon
18	Annie Lamontine . . .	40	—	—	Boston
20	Bridget E. Gavin . . .	60	—	—	Roxbury
24	Sarah A. Clayton . . .	81	8	18	Bowe, N.H.
24	Stillborn . . .	—	—	—	Braintree
24	Henry Dugan . . .	67	8	—	Braintree
Feb. 12	George Washington Meader . . .	69	—	—	Providence, R.I.
Mar. 25	Minot Leonard . . .	93	3	14	Newton
Apr. 14	Martha L. Tileston . . .	62	5	12	Avon
19	Walter Regan . . .	7	11	—	Boston
20	Helen J. Belmore . . .	33	—	—	Braintree
24	Charlotte B. Waite . . .	80	2	29	Salem
28	Stillborn . . .	—	—	—	Weymouth
28	Martha L. Callahan . . .	13	—	—	Quincy
May 11	Henry Perkins Niles . . .	70	10	14	Lynn
14	Catharine Sullivan . . .	61	—	—	Holbrook
16	Mary Mullins . . .	63	—	—	Boston
18	Emma Amelia Robinson . . .	63	—	—	Canton
28	Martin V. B. Shaw . . .	66	8	13	Braintree
28	Errol B. Winslow . . .	—	3	8	Worcester
June 8	Henry Alton Hollis . . .	29	5	4	Brockton
15	Patrick Leo Tierney . . .	26	—	—	Boston
23	Asa French . . .	73	8	2	Braintree
25	Mary A. Reynolds . . .	47	5	25	Braintree
29	Christine Meighan . . .	81	—	—	Medfield
July 15	Frederick H. Woodfall . . .	33	8	16	Brockton
16	James McConaty . . .	80	—	—	Stoughton
23	James Gogan . . .	—	10	—	Braintree
24	Annie E. Uniac . . .	48	—	—	Boston
31	Frederick W. Dyer . . .	72	9	26	Brockton
Aug. 7	Andrew Havey . . .	52	—	—	East Weymouth
9	William H. Eagan . . .	22	—	19	Brockton
17	David N. McDonald . . .	3	6	21	Braintree
24	B. Frances Murphy . . .	30	—	—	Boston
26	William H. Wood . . .	68	5	18	Holbrook
Sept. 13	Cissace Censale . . .	19	—	—	Braintree
15	Charlotte B. Wilde . . .	70	4	8	Boston
21	Arthur J. Leary . . .	35	2	7	Holbrook
Oct. 2	Joseph Fred Novalline . . .	—	4	—	Boston
12	Harriet Arnold . . .	54	—	—	Braintree
31	Mary E. Crosby . . .	68	—	—	Boston
Nov. 4	Nora J. Leahan . . .	38	—	—	Braintree
13	James E. Cassidy . . .	6	2	20	Braintree
17	Edward T. McCue . . .	39	—	—	Brockton
17	Caleb W. Kimball . . .	29	4	1	Somerville
23	John Donahoe . . .	83	8	24	Boston
24	John Cuff . . .	—	—	1	Braintree
28	Abraham Jones . . .	90	2	22	Canton
Dec. 1	Rena G. Hayden . . .	—	8	8	Abington
12	Lena Doyle . . .	7	6	—	Holbrook
19	Catherine Tierney . . .	57	—	—	Holbrook
28	James Early . . .	74	—	—	Brockton
31	James A. Crudden . . .	40	5	5	Boston



Should any person discover an error in the preceding records, he will confer a favor by notifying the Town Clerk, that correction may be made.

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice in compliance with Section 16, Chapter 29 of the Revised Laws, that he is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns as required by law.

JOSEPH T. LEAHY,  
*Town Clerk.*

## DECREE FOR INJUNCTION AFFIRMED.

As there appears to be a misconception of the relations of the Selectmen of a town in the matter of granting locations to street railways, it may be well here to remark that they act not as agents of the town, but as public officers specially designated by the law-making power for that purpose.

That the citizens of the town may have a better understanding of the powers and duties of Selectmen, and citizens generally, in relation to the granting of locations to street railways, it has been deemed best to incorporate in this report the recent decision of the Supreme Judicial Court.

John T. Flood and others *vs.* Joseph T. Leahy and others.  
Norfolk. December 3, 4, 1902—April 2, 1903.

Present: Knowlton, C. J., Morton, Lathrop, Barker and Hammond, J.J.

Petition filed September 3, 1902, etc.

*Municipal corporations.* In granting a location to a street railway company, the selectmen of a town act not as agents of the town, but as public officers, and are not bound to follow instructions as to conditions to be imposed in granting the location contained in a vote passed at a town meeting.

A town has no authority to borrow money for the purpose of paying counsel in order to procure the insertion of conditions in the grant of a location by the selectmen of the town to a street railway company relative to the residence and wages of laborers to be employed by the company or the rate of fare for passengers in general.

A vote of a town to borrow money for the purpose of paying counsel to procure the insertion of conditions in the grant of a location by the selectmen of the town to a street railway company in regard to matters in some of which the town can have no corporate interest, is wholly void, although other of the conditions sought to be imposed by the same scheme may relate to matters in which the town may have a corporate interest.

Whether a town can raise money for the purpose of paying counsel to procure the insertion of conditions in the grant of a location by the selectmen of the town to a street railway company in regard to matters affecting the corporate interest of the town, such as the expense of keeping the streets in repair, *quaere*.

#### FLOOD vs. LEAHY.

*Hammond, J.* The power of a town to raise money by taxation is not commensurate with the power to tax which is conferred by the Constitution upon the Legislature. It is entirely a creature of Statute, including only so much of the general power as the Legislature delegates to the town. The only question raised in this case is whether the purpose for which the money was to be expended was a "necessary charge" within the meaning of the last clause of R. L., C. 25, S. 15. This clause has been called many times to the attention of the Court, and its general scope has been quite clearly outlined.

So far as material to this case, towns are to be considered as *quasi* corporations with limited powers coextensive with the duties imposed upon them by the Statute or usage. In *Vincent v. Nantucket*, 12 Cush. 103, this Court, speaking through Merrick, J., said: "Their contracts will be valid when made in relation to objects concerning which they have a duty to perform, and interest to protect, or a right to de-

fend. But here is at once the extent of their right and their power. They cannot engage in enterprises foreign to the purposes for which they were incorporated, nor assume responsibilities which involve undertakings not within the compass of their corporate powers." The Statute in question has been construed in consonance with these general principles. See among other cases, *Stetson v. Kempton*, 13 Mass. 272; *Parsons v. Goshen*, 11 Pick. 396; *Minot v. Roxbury*, 112 Mass. 1, in which cases the action of the town was declared illegal; and *Woodbury v. Hamilton*, 6 Pick. 101; *Allen v. Taunton*, 19 Pick. 485; *Curran v. Holliston*, 130 Mass. 272, and *Dunn v. Framingham*, 132 Mass. 436, in which the action was declared legal.

It is to be noted that the duty, right or interest must be corporate, as distinguished from the individual duty, right or interest of the inhabitants of the town. No matter how important or general these individual rights or duties are, they do not thereby become corporate within the meaning of the rule. There can be no doubt, for instance, that, in the case of a threatened incursion of an enemy in the time of war, it would be of the highest importance to the individual interests of the inhabitants that proper steps should be taken for defence, and yet it was held in *Stetson v. Kempton*, *ubi supra*, that, there being no corporate duty resting upon the town to provide for the defence, it could not lawfully raise money by taxation for that purpose.

The cases of *Vincent v. Nantucket*, *ubi supra*, and *Fuller v. Groton*, 11 Gray, 340, when contrasted with each other furnish a good illustration of the application of the rule which has been followed in construing the Statute. In the first case it was held that the town was not bound by its corporate vote to pay the expenses incurred by a field driver in defending a suit brought against him for taking up and impounding cattle running at large contrary to law. The

ground of the decision was that "in relation to field drivers the whole corporate power of a town is exercised and exhausted in their election. It has afterwards no guardianship, control or authority over them, and they are not acting in relation to any corporate duty imposed upon the town." In the second case, an appropriation by a town to pay the expenses incurred by members of the school committee in defending a suit against them for an alleged libel contained in their annual report was held valid, upon the ground that there was imposed upon the town the corporate duty to raise money for the support of the schools, to choose a committee to superintend them, and through the committee to make an annual report of their condition.

In proceeding to apply these principles to the vote in question, it becomes necessary to see what is a fair interpretation of it when taken in connection with the other votes passed at the same meeting upon the same general subject, and also to see whether, as thus interpreted, it relates to a matter as to which the town in its corporate capacity has a right, duty or interest. There were three votes. The first was that "in addition to statutory requirements the Selectmen be instructed to insert in any franchise or location that may be granted upon any petition of the Old Colony Street Railway Company" certain conditions thereafter particularly enumerated. The condition prescribed the size and weight of the rail upon which the street car was to be run, the portion of the street and gutter to be paved by the railway company and the kind of paving stone to be used, and required that the remaining portion of the street should be macadamized by the company. Further conditions to be imposed were that "laborers resident in the town and citizens owning teams shall be employed in the work in preference to any others, and the hours of labor and the wages therefor shall conform to the standard established by vote of

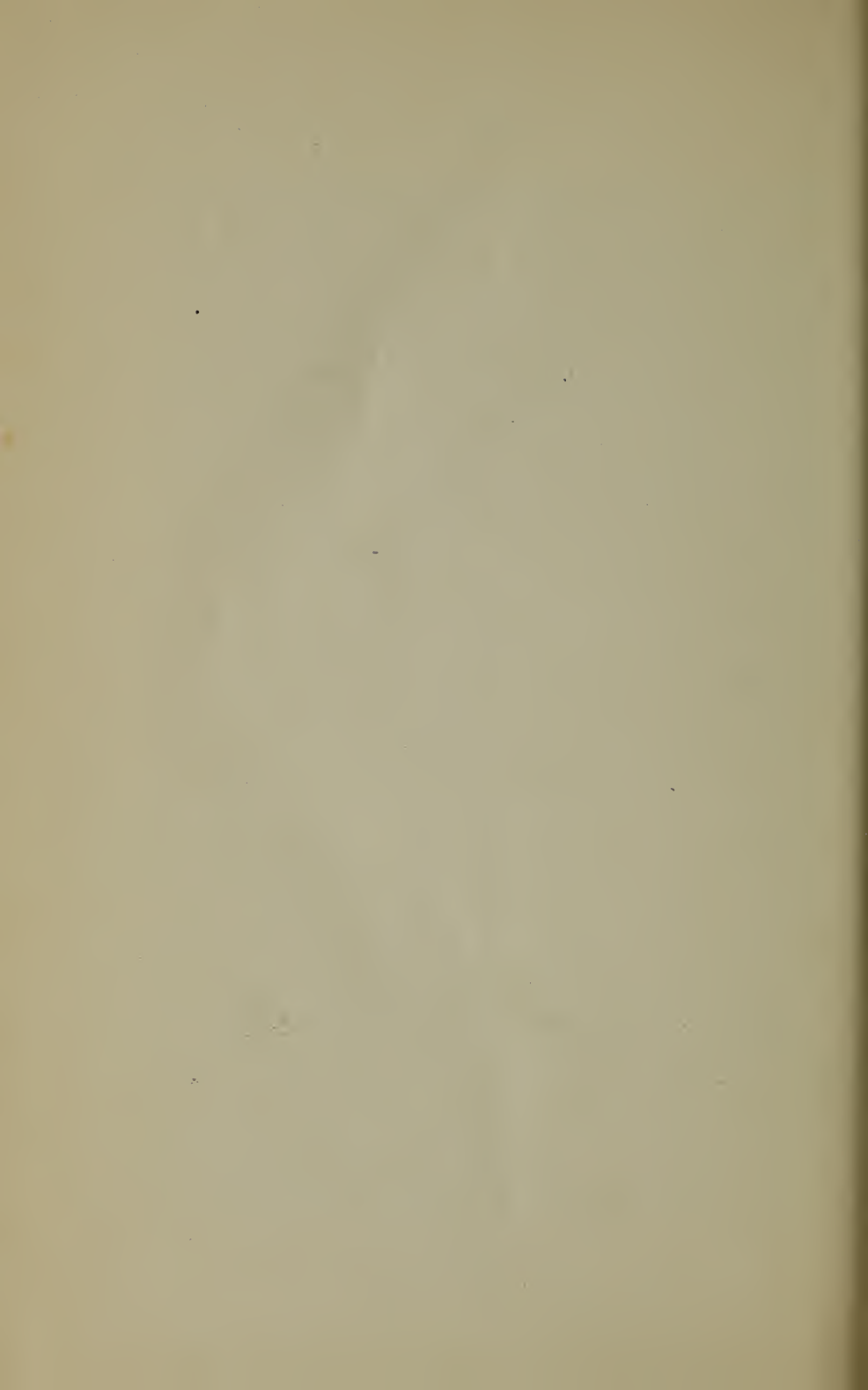


the town at its annual town meeting"; and that there should be "one fare of five cents from any point in Randolph to any point in Brockton." The second vote provided for the appointment of "a committee of five to confer with the Board of Selectmen or independently attend upon any Board, Court or other tribunal to represent the town upon all questions of franchises, tracks or locations that heretofore have or hereafter may be granted to or made with any street railway company, its officers, servants or agents, or any person that may have been appointed in place of said street railway company, its officers, servants or agents," and authorized the committee to employ counsel. The third vote instructed the treasurer to borrow \$300 "to carry into effect" the second vote. All these votes were passed at a special town meeting held in the month of August, and they suggest the existence of a disinclination of many people in the town to trust the subject to the discretion and action of the selectmen. The purpose was to have the conditions named in the first vote annexed to grants of street railway locations, to attain its purpose if possible by so-called instructions to the selectmen, or by a conference between these officers and the committee appointed under the second vote, and, if these methods failed, then by the independent action on the part of the committee aided, if necessary, by counsel. This money was to be expended in carrying out this general scheme. Of course the selectmen were not bound to follow the instructions contained in the first vote. In the matter of granting locations they act not as agents of the town but as public officers specially designated by the law-making power for that purpose. It is plain that in the matter of several of the conditions the town has no corporate interest whatever, for instance, those relating to the residence and wages of the laborers to be employed and to the rate of fare for the passengers in general. If it be said that the town



may have a corporate interest in some other of the questions involved in the granting of the locations, as, for instance, where the expense of keeping the streets in repair may be affected by the conditions which may be lawfully imposed, and that therefor it may raise money to protect its interest, a question upon which we need not now express an opinion, the reply is that, even if that be true, it is plain that the money was to be used to carry out the scheme as a whole, and the authority to borrow being granted as a whole, and there being no way of separating the valid from the invalid, the whole vote must be declared invalid.

*Decree affirmed.*



## TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Randolph,*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall, in said town, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at six o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all such town officers as are required by law to be chosen by ballot ; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall license for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town?"

Art. 3. To choose all such town officers as are not required by law to be chosen by ballot.

Art. 4. To hear the reports of the town officers, and act thereon.

Art. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

Art. 6. To raise money to defray the general town expenses for the current year, and appropriate the same.

Art. 7. To raise money for the repairs of highways and determine the manner of expending the same.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for lighting the streets by electricity.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to pay the insurance on the Town Treasurer's bond for the year 1903-1904, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money temporarily in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and fix the amount he is authorized to borrow.

Art. 11. To see what compensation the town will allow for the collection of taxes.

Art. 12. To see what action the town will take in relation to medical attendance on the poor, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 13. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint special officers to enforce the laws, and raise and appropriate money for the payment of such officers.

Art. 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to pay for the insurance on the Turner Free Library building.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to place a fire alarm box on High street at its junction with Canton street, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will raise and contribute to the sinking fund as required by law to meet the payments of the Randolph water loan.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for water for hydrants, street service, public buildings, drinking fountains and cemeteries.

Art. 18. To see what action the town will take in relation to the Fire Department, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Art. 19. To see if the town will make appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles Post, 110, G. A. R.

Art. 20. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue notes of the town to replace those now outstanding, the same to be refunded upon such terms as they deem most favorable to the town.

Art. 21. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools in such cases as the School Board may deem expedient.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to place additional lights on Allen street, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 23. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1904.

Art. 24. To see if the town will authorize the Collector of Taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

Art. 25. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and published in the town report as required by law.

Art. 26. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Selectmen to be the agents and attorneys for the town; to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any manner interested as a party or otherwise, for the ensuing year, except so far as the same relates in any way to the water supply.

Art. 27. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the Water Commissioners to be the agents and attorneys for the town; to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be interested

as a party or otherwise, so far as the same in any manner relates to the taking of the waters of Great Pond, or in the construction of the water works, either jointly or separately, as authorized under Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1885, and to employ counsel if necessary.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from its present terminus on Cross street to the residence of James Gibson on Grove street, and make provision for the payment of the same, as petitioned for by Peter M. Gibson and others.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to build an addition to the North Grammar School as recommended by the School Committee, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 30. To see what action the town will take in relation to the pay of laborers employed by the town.

Art. 31. To see what action the town will take in relation to the care of clocks in the spires of the Congregational and First Baptist Churches, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to build in addition to the Stetson Hall building for the accommodation of the Stetson High School, as recommended by the trustees, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Commissioners to extend the water main from Oakland Cemetery along Oak street to the residence of Weston L. Mann, on said Oak street, and make provision for the payment of the same, as petitioned for by Weston L. Mann and others.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to make repairs on the almshouse, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to put in sprinkler hydrants, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to accept the pro-



visions of Chapter 25, Section 22, of the Revised Laws, being an act empowering towns to provide for the watering of streets.

Art. 37. To hear and act on the report of any committee, and choose any committee the town may think proper.

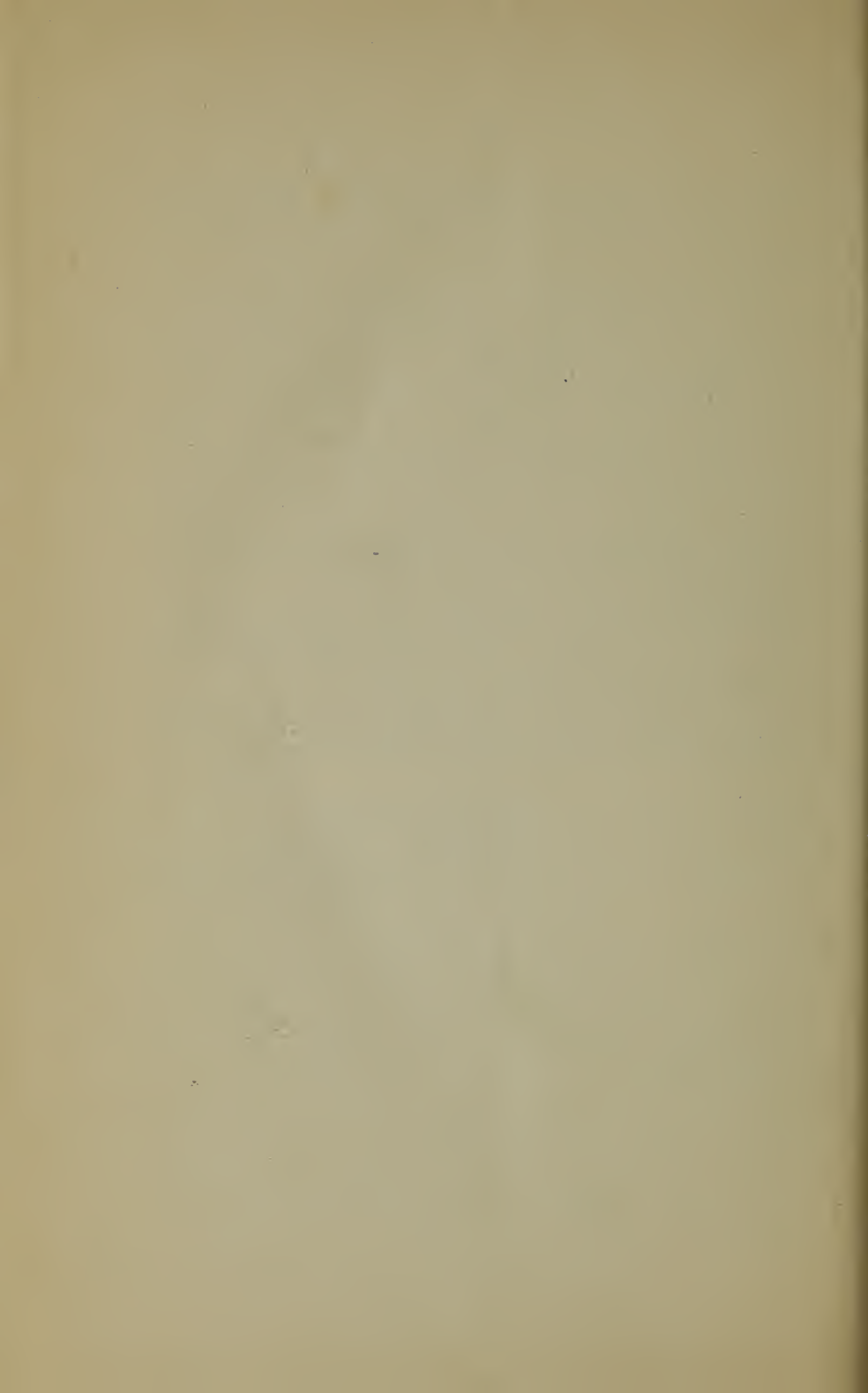
The polls will be opened at 6 o'clock A.M., and remain open four hours and such longer time as the voters may determine.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies hereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, and by publishing the same in the "Randolph Register and Holbrook News," a newspaper published at said Randolph.

Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Randolph this twenty-third day of February A.D. one thousand nine hundred and four.

PATRICK H. McLAUGHLIN,  
 GEORGE H. EDDY,  
 CHARLES H. THAYER,  
*Selectmen of Randolph.*



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